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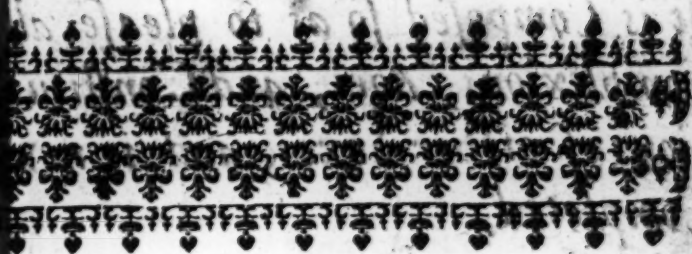


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LOVE BIRD

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# TO THE READER:

Courteous Reader;



*E do here present thee  
with a Choice Collecti-  
on of Wit and Inge-  
nuity, many of which  
were obtained with much diffi-  
culty, and at a Chargeable Rate;*

*A 2*

*It*

*It is Composed so as to please all Complexions, Ages, and Constitutions of either Sexes, and is now Completed.*

THE  
Farewel.

READER.

Merry

Merry Drollerie.

*A Rapsody.*



OW I confess I am in love,  
 Though I did think I never could,  
 But 'tis with one dropt from above,  
 Whose nature's made of better mould:  
 So fair, so good, so all divine,  
 I'd quit the world to make her mine.

Have you not seen the Stars retreat  
 When *Sol* salutes our Hemisphear,  
 So shrink the Beauties, called great,  
 When sweet *Rosela* doth appear;  
 Were she as other women are,  
 I should not love, nor yet despair.

But I could never wear a mind  
 Willing to stoop to common Faces,  
 Nor confidence enough can find  
 To aim at one so full of Graces;  
 Fortune and Nature did agree,  
 No woman should be wed by me.



*Mirth in Sorrow.*

**B**E merry with Sorrow : why are you so sad ?  
 Let some mirth be found to make your hearts  
 If troubles afflict thee, lament not therefore; (glad  
 For all men are subject to sorrows full fore.

Though grief be to night, yet joy comes to morrow,  
 And therefore, I pray you, be merry with sorrow.

With what grief soever a man be afflicted,  
 Unto over-much sorrow be not thou addicted,  
 For a sorrowful heart, the wise-man doth say,  
 Doth dry up the bones, and the body decay ;  
 And therefore, I say, both evening and morrow,  
 In all thy afflictions be merry with sorrow.

Hast thou been a rich man, and now art thou poor ?  
 Be merry with sorrow, and pass not therefore;  
 For riches have wings to fly when they lust,  
 Both to thee, and from thee, as God hath discust ;  
 And therefore I say, &c.

Art thou pinched with poverty, sickness, or need ?  
 Be merry with sorrow, the better to speed:  
 For God is the God of the poor and oppressed,  
 Commit thy cause to him, and it shall be redressed ;  
 And therefore I say, &c.

Art thou close in Prison, and locked up fast?  
 Whatsoever thy faults be, a God still thou hast:  
 Believe, serve, and fear him, thou shalt never lack,  
 If that thou wilt cast thy cares on his back;  
 And therefore I say, &c.

Art thou a Minister the people to teach,  
 And dost thou study good words for to Preach,  
 And for thy labour dost thou sustain blame?  
 Be merry with sorrow, and shrink not for shame;  
 Such persons, I say, both evening and morrow,  
 Ought still to rejoyce, and be merry with sorrow.

Hast thou enemies, abroad, that seek for thy life,  
 Or hast thou at home, a shrew to thy wife?  
 Such sorrows, indeed, doth a number molest,  
 Those that be cumbered can tell their tale best,  
 For they do sustain many a sowre good-morrow,  
 But yet I could wish them to be merry with sorrow.

God make us all merry in Christ our Redeemer;  
 God save merry *England* & our Good King for ever,  
 God grant him long years, and many to raighn  
 His word and his Gospel now still to maintain:  
 And those that do seek to procure his sorrow, (row.  
 God send them short lives, not to live till to mor-

*A Catch.*

**A** *Marillis* told her swain,  
*Amarillis* told her swain,  
 That in love he should be plain,  
 And not think to deceive her,  
 Still he protested on his truth,  
 That he would never leave her.

If thou dost keep thy vow quoth shee,  
 If thou dost keep thy vow quoth shee,  
 And that now ne'er dost leave me,  
 There's never a swain in all this Plain,  
 That ever shall come near thee,  
 For Garlands and Embroidered Scrips,  
 For I do love thee dearly.

But *Colin* if thou change thy love,  
 But *Colin* if thou change thy love,  
 A *Tigris* then I'le to the prove,  
 If ere thou dost come near me;  
*Amarillis* fear not that,  
 For I do love thee dearly.

## The Hectors and the Vintner.

**C** All for the Master, O! this is fine, (wine  
 For you that have *London's* brave Liquors of  
 For us the Cocks of the Hectors  
 Wine wherein Flies were drown'd the last Summer;  
 Hang't let it pass, here's a Glass in a Rummer,  
 Hang't let it, &c.

Bold Hectors we are of *London, New Troy*,  
 Fill us more wine; Hark here, Sirrah Boy,  
 Speak in the *Dolphin*, speak in the *Swan*,  
 Drawer Anon Sir, Anon.  
*Ralph, George*, speak in the *Star*,  
 The Reckoning's unpaid; we'l pay at the Bar,  
 The Reckoning's unpaid, &c.

A Quart of Clarret in the *Mytre* score:  
 The Hectors are Ranting. *Tom* shut the door;  
 A Skirmish begins, beware pates and shins,  
 The Piss-pots are down, the candles are out,  
 The Glasses are broken and the pots flies about.  
*Ralph, Ralph*, speak in the *Chequer*. By and by,  
*Robin* is wounded, and the Hectors do flie,  
 Call for the Constable, let in the Watch, (match,  
 The Hectors of *Holborn* shall meet with their  
 The Hectors, &c.

*Merry Drallerie,*

At Midnight you bring your justice among us,  
 But all the day long you do us the wrong ;  
 When for Verrinus you bring us Mundungus :  
 Your reckonings are large, your Bottles are small,  
 Still changing our wine, as fast as wee call;  
 Your Canary has Lime in't, your Clarret has Stum,  
 Tell the Constable this, and then let him come,  
 Tell the Constable, &c.

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*The Jovial Lover.*

1.

O Nce was I sad, till I grew to be mad,  
 But I'll never be sad again boys;  
 I courted a riddle, she fancied a fiddle,  
 The tune does run still in my brain boys.

2.

The Gittarn and the Lute, the Pipe and the Flute  
 Are the new Alamode for the nan-boys ;  
 With Pistol and Dagger the women out-swagger  
 The blades with the Muff and the Fan boys.

3.

All the Town is run mad, and the HeCtors do pad,  
 Besides their false Dice and the slur boys:  
 The new-formed Cheats with their acts and debates  
 Have brought the old to a demur boys.

4.

Men stand upon thorns to pull out their horns,  
 And to cuckold themselves in grain boys :

When

*Complete.*

11

When to wear 'um before, does make their heads  
But behind they do suffer no pain boys. (fore,

5.

The Protestant, Presbyter, Papist, and *Prestor John*,  
Are much discontented wec see boys:  
For all their Religion no *Mahomets* Pidgeon  
Can make 'um be madder then we boys.

6.

There is a mad fellow clad alwaies in yellow;  
And somewhat his nose is blew boys;  
He cheated the divel, which was very evil  
To him, and to all of his crew boys.

7.

But now he intends to make even amends  
By wearing a crown of thorns boys;  
For him that is gone, but before it be one  
We shall his humility scorn boys.

8.

For all our new Pēers are turn'd out with Jeers,  
The new Gentlemen Lords are trapan'd boyes;  
Since the King, & no King, would pretend to a thing,  
Which the Commons won't understand boyes.

9.

And whilst we are thus mad, my Princēss is glad  
To laugh at the World, and at me boyes,  
'Cause I can't apprehend what her colour command,  
But it is not my self you see boyes.

*Mardike.*



## Mardike.

**W**hen first *Mardike* was made a Prey,  
 'Twas *Canrea* carried the Fort away,  
 And do not lose your Valorous Prize  
 By staring in your Mistress eyes,  
 But put off your Petticoat-Parley,  
 Fame and Honour are covered early;  
     Potting and slotting,  
     And laughing, and quaffing of Canary  
 Will make good souldiers miscarry,  
 And ne'er travel for a true renown;  
 And turn to your marshall Mistress,  
 Fair *Minerva* the souldiers sister is;  
     Calling, and falling, and cutting,  
     And slashing of wounds Sir,  
 With turning, and burning, of Towns, are  
 High steps unto a States mans throne.

Let bold *Bellm's* Brewer frown,  
 And his Tun shall o'er flow the Town;  
 Or give a Coblér sword and State,  
 And a Tinker shall trapan the State,  
 Such fortunate Foes as these be,  
 Turned the Crown to a Cross at *Naseby*;  
     Father and Mother, and Sister  
     And Brother confounded,

With

With many good families wounded  
By a terrible turn of State;  
Such plentiful power the sword has,  
And so little of late the word has;

He that can kill a man,  
Thunder, and plunder precisely;  
It's he is the man that does wisely,  
And may climbe to a Chair of State.

It is the sword that doth order all,  
Makes Peasants rise, and Princes fall;  
All Syllogisms in vain are spilt  
No Logick like a basket hilt:  
It handles 'um joint by joint Sir,  
And doth nimble come to the point Sir,

Thrilling, and drilling,  
And killing, and spilling profoundly,  
Untill the despiter on ground lye,  
And hath ne'er a word to say,  
Unless it be Quarter, Quarter;  
Truth confuted by a Carter,

Whipping, and stripping,  
And ripping, and stripping Evasions  
Doth conquer the power of perswasions,  
*Aristotle* has lost the day.

The Gown and Chain cannot compare  
With Red-coat and his Bandeliers  
The Musquets gave Saint Pauls the lurch,

And

*Merry Drollerie,*

And beat the canons from the Church,

The pious Episcopal Gown too;

Taro, Tantara, Tantara,

Tantara, the trumpet

Hath blown away *Babylons* Trumpet,

And Cathedrals begin to truck,

Your Councillors are struck dumb too;

Dub a dub, dub a dub,

Dub a dub dub, an alarum,

Each Corporal now can out-dare him,

Learned *Littleton* now goes to rack.

Then since the Sword so bright doth shine

Let's leave our Wenches and our Wines

We'll follow Fate where ere she runs,

And turn our pots and pipes to guns:

The bottles shall be Granadoes,

We will march about like bravadoes,

Huffing, and Puffing,

And snuffing, and calling the Spurnards,

Whose brows have been dyed in a tann-yard;

Well-got fame is a Warriors wife,

The Drawer shall be a Drummer,

We'll be Generals all next summer,

Pointing, and jointing,

And hilding and tilting like brave boys;

We shall have gold on a grave boys,

There's an end of a Souldiers life.

## A merry Song.

**O**F all the Crafts that I do know,  
That in the Earth may be,  
Threshing is one of the weariest trades  
That belongs to husbandry.

Upon a time there was a poor man,  
I swear by sweet Saint *Ann*,  
And he had a wife and seven children;  
And other goods had he none.

As he was a walking on the way,  
Hard by a Forrest side,  
There met him the divel, that Grissly Ghost;  
This poor man to abide.

All hail, all hail, then quoth the divel;  
I am glad to have met with thee;  
What is thy business in this Country  
Thou goest so hastily?

*(man)*  
I have a wife and seven children, quoth the poor  
And other goods have I none,  
And I am to the Market going  
To fetch them something home.

*B* *Will*

*Merry Drollerie,*

Wilt thou be my servant, quoth the divel,  
 And serve me for seven year,  
 And thou shalt have cattel and corn enough,  
 And all things at thy desire.

What shall be my office, quoth the poor man?  
 I am loth to bear any blame;  
 Thou shalt bring a beast unto this Forrest,  
 That I cannot tell his name.

If thou dost not bring me such a beast,  
 The name that I cannot tell,  
 Then both thy body and thy soul  
 Shall go with me to hell.

Indentures and Covenants were made anon,  
 And sealed by and by;  
 The poor man he to the market went  
 So fast as he could high.

And when that he came home again,  
 Corn and Cattel he had anon:  
 O this was some Lord, then quoth the Poor man,  
 For to believe upon.

His neighbours dwelling round about,  
 They marvelled very much:  
 They thought he had either robb'd or stole,  
 He was become so rich.

But

But when the seven years was near expir'd,  
 And almost at an end,  
 He made his moan unto his wife  
 Which was his own dear freind,

What aile you, what aile you, husband, quoth she,  
 What ailes you so sad to be?  
 You had want to be one of the merriest men  
 In all the whole Country.

I have made a bargain, quoth the poor man,  
 I am loth to bear the blame:  
 I must carry the devil a beast to the Forreſt  
 That he cannot tell his name.

If I don't carry him such a beast,  
 The name that he cannot tell,  
 Then both my body and my soull  
 Must go with him to hell.

Lie still, lie still then, quoth the good Wife,  
 Lie still and sleep a while,  
 And I will bethink me of a thing,  
 We will the devil beguile.

Buy Feathers and Lime, then quoth the good wife,  
 Such as men catch birds in,  
 And I will put off all my cloaths,  
 And roul them over my skin.



He wrapt his wife in Feathers and Lime,  
 Till no place of her was bare,  
 He tied a string about her hams,  
 And led her for chapmens ware.

He led her backwards of all four,  
 Till he came to the Forrest side,  
 There met he the divel, that grisly Ghost,  
 This poor man to abide,

(man,

I have brought thee the beast, then quoth the poor  
 Thy bargain thou canst not forsake,  
 The devil stood as still as any stone,  
 And his heart began to quake.

What beast hast thou brought me, quoth the divel,  
 His cheeks they are so round?  
 I thought there had not been any such beast  
 Brought up in all this ground.

I have looked East, I have looked West,  
 I have looked over *Lincoln* and *Lyn*,  
 But of all the beasts that ever I saw  
 I never saw one so grim.

Where is the mouth of this same beast?  
 His breath is wondrous strong.  
 A little below, quoth the poor man,  
 His mouth stands all along.

That

That is a mad mouth, then quoth the divel,  
It has neither cheeks nor chin,  
Nay has but one eye in his head,  
And his sight is wondrous dim.

If his mouth had stood but overthwart,  
As it stands all a-length,  
I would have thought it some Whale fish  
Was taken by some mans strength.

How many more hast thou, quoth the divel,  
How many more of this kind?  
I have seven more, then quoth the poor man,  
But I left them all behind.

If thou hast seven more of these beasts,  
The truth to thee I tell,  
Thou hast beasts enough to scare both me,  
And all the devils in hell.

Here take thy Indentures and Covenants too,  
I'll have nothing to do with thee;  
The poor man he went home with his wife,  
And they lived full merrily.

*On Drinking, out of Anacriou.*

**T**He thirsty Earth drinks up the Rain,  
 And drinks, and gapes for drink again ;  
 The Plants suck in the Earth, and are  
 With constant drinking fresh and fair.  
 The sea it self, (which one would think  
 Should have but little need to drink,)  
 Drinks ten thousand Rivers up,  
 So fill'd that they o'reflow the cup,  
 The busie Sun, as one would guess  
 By's drunken fiery face, no less  
 Drinks up the sea, and when that's done,  
 The Moon and Stars drinks up the Sun.  
 They drink, and dance by their own light,  
 They drink and Revel all the night ;  
 Nothing in Nature's sober found  
 But an eternall health goes round :  
 Fill up the boale, and fill it high,  
 Fill all the glasses here : for why  
 Should every creature drink but I ?  
 Thou man of moralls, tell me why.

*The Married Estate, or Advice to  
Bachelors and Maids.*

**T**O freind and to foe  
To all that I know  
That to marriage estate do prepare;  
Remember your days  
In severall ways  
Are troubled with sorrow and care:  
For he that doth look  
In the married mans book,  
And read but his *Items* all over,  
Shall find them to come  
At length to a sum  
Shall empty Purse, Pocket, and Coffer:  
In the pastimes of love,  
When their labours do prove,  
And the Fruit beginneth to kick,  
For this, and for that,  
And I know not for what,  
The woman must have, or be sick.  
There's *Item* set down,  
For a loose-bodied Gown,  
In her longing you must not deceive her;  
For a Bodkin, a Ring,  
Or the other fine thing,

For a Whisk, a scarf, or a Beaver,  
Deliver'd and well,  
Who is't cannot tell,  
Thus while the Childe lies at the Nipple,  
There's *Item* for wine,  
And Gossips so fine,  
And Sugar to sweeten their Tipple :  
There's *Item* I hope,  
For water and sope,  
There's *Item* for Fire and Candle,  
For better for worse,  
There's *Item* for Nurse,  
The Babe to dress and to dandle.  
When swaddled in lap,  
There's *Item* for Pap,  
And *Item* for Pot, Pan, and Ladle ;  
A Corral with Bells,  
Which custom compells,  
And *Item* ten Groats for a Cradle ;  
With twenty odd knacks,  
Which the little one lacks,  
And thus doth thy pleasure bewray thee :  
But this is the sport,  
In Country and Court,  
Then let not these pastimes betray thee.

*The Fashions.*

**T**He Turk in Linnen wraps his head,  
The Persian he's in Lawn too ;  
The Rush with sable furs his Cap,  
And change will not be drawn to ;  
The Spaniard constant to his block,  
The French inconstant ever,  
But of all the Felts that may be felt  
Give me the English Beaver.

The German loves the Cony-Wool,  
The Irish man his shag too ;  
Some love the rough, and some the smooth ;  
The Welsh his Monmouth use to Wear,  
And of the same will brag too ;  
Some loves the rough, and some the smooth,  
Some great and others small things :  
But O the liquorish English man  
He loves to deal in all things.

The Rush drinks quaff, Dutch Rubrick beer,  
And that is strong and mighty ;  
The Brittain he *Meibeglin* quaffs,  
The Irish *Aqua Vita* ;  
The French affects the *Orlian* Grape,  
The Spaniard takes his Sherry,

The



The English none of these can shape,  
But with them all make merry,

The Italian in his High Chippin,  
Scotch Lais, and comely Fro too;  
The Spanish Don a French Maddam  
He will not fear to go to;  
Nothing so full of hazard, dread,  
Nought lives above the Center:  
No health, no fashion, wine, nor wench  
Your English dare not venter.

### On Tobacco.

**T**obacco that is withered quite  
Grown in the morning, cut down at night,  
Shews thy decay,  
All flesh is hay;  
Thus think, then drink Tobacco.

And when the smoak ascends on high,  
Think all thou seest is Vanity  
Of earthly stuff,  
Blown with a puff;  
Thus think, then drink Tobacco.

And when the Pipes be foul'd within,  
Behold the soul defil'd with sin,

To Purge with fire  
He doth require;

Thus think, then drink Tobacco,

As for the ashes left behind,  
They fitly serve to put's in mind,

That unto dust  
Return we must;

Thus think, then drink Tobacco,

### *The Tinker of Turvey.*

**T**Here was a Jovial Tinker  
Dwelt in the Town of *Turvey*,  
And he could patch a Kettle well,  
Though his humours were but scurvy;  
Still would he sing, tarra ring, tarra ring Tinker,  
Room for a Jovial Tinker,  
He'll stop one hole and make two,  
Is not this a Jovial Tinker?

He was as good a fellow  
As Snug, which mov'd much laughter;  
You'd hardly think how in his drink,  
He would beat his wife and daughter;  
Still would he sing, &c,

He

He walks about the Country,  
 With Pike-staff, and with Butcher,  
 Drunk as a Rat, you'd hardly wot  
 That drinking so he could trudge it;  
 Still would he sing, &c.

There's none of his profession,  
 That hath such skill in mettle,  
 For he could mend the frying-pan,  
 The Skillet or the Kettle;  
 Still would he sing, &c.

To tofs the Jolly tankard,  
 The black pot and the pitcher,  
 No Ale or beer to him was dear,  
 To make his nose the richer,  
 Still would he, &c.

He'd tink betime i'th' morning  
 Before the break of day,  
 For drinking dry he was willing,  
 To the Ale-house he went his way;  
 Still would he, &c.

He knockt so roundly at the door,  
 Which made them all to waken:  
 Who's there, quoth the maid? it's I, he said;  
 It's the Tinker foul, I'll take him;  
 Still would he sing, tarra ring, tarra ring Tinke,  
 Room

Room for a Jovial Tinker,  
He'll stop one hole, and make two,  
Is not this a Jovial Tinker?

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*Nonsense.*

**N**ow Gentlemen, if you will hear  
Strange news, as I shall tell you,  
Where ere you go, both far and near,  
You may boldly say 'tis true.

When *Charing-Cross* was a little boy,  
He was sent to *Rumford* to buy swine;  
His mother made cheefe, he drank the whay,  
He never lov'd strong beer, Ale, nor wine.

When all the things in *England* died,  
That very year fell such a chance,  
That *Salisbury* plain would on horseback ride,  
And *Paris Garden* carry the news to *France*.

When all the Laywers they did Plead  
All for love, and nought for gain;  
Then 'twas a Joyful world indeed,  
The blew bore of *Dover* fetcht apples out of *Spain*.

When Landlords let their farms cheap,  
Because their tenant paid so dear;

## Merry Drollerie,

The man in the Moon made Christmas Pyes;  
And bid the seven stars to eat good chear.

Without a Broker or Cony-catcher

Pauls Church-yard was never free;  
Then was my Lord Mayor a house thatcher;  
Which was a wondrous sight to see.

When Basingstoke did swim on the Thames,  
And swore all thieves to be just and true;  
The Sumners and Bayliffs were honest men,  
And Pease and Bacon that year it snew.

When every man had a quiet wife,  
That never could once scold or chide;  
Tom Tinker of Turvey, to end all strife,  
Roasted a Pig in a blue Cows hide.

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A Catch.

**T**He Hunt is up,  
The hunt is up,  
And now it is almost day,  
And he that's abed with another mans wife,  
It's time to get him away.

*An old Souldier of the Queens.*

**O**F an old Souldier of the Queens,  
 With an old motly coat, and a maurnsic nose,  
 And an old Jerkin that's out at the elbows,  
 And an old pair of boots, drawn on without hose  
 Stuft with raggs instead of toes,  
 And an old Souldier of the Queens,  
 And the Queens old Souldier.

With an old rusty sword that's hackt with blows,  
 And an old dagger to scare away the crows,  
 And an old horse that reels as he goes,  
 And an old saddle that no man knows,  
 And an old Souldier of the Queens,  
 And the Queens old Souldier.

With his old wounds in Eighty Eight,  
 Which he recover'd, at *Tilbury* fight;  
 With an old Pasport that never was read,  
 That in his old travels stood him in great stead,  
 And an old Souldier of the Queens,  
 And the Queens old Souldier.

With his old Gun, and his Bandeliers,  
 And an old head-piece to keep warm his ears,  
 With an old shirt is grown to wrack,

With

With a huge Loufe, With a great lift on his back;  
 Is able to carry a Pedler and his Pack;  
 And an old souldier of the Queens,  
 And the Queens old souldier.

With an old Quean to lie by his side,  
 That in old time had been pockish'd;  
 He's now rid to *Bohemia* to fight with his foes,  
 And he swears by his Valour he'll have better cloaths,  
 Or else he'll lose legs, arms, fingers, and toes,  
 And he'll come again, when no man knows,  
 And an old souldier of the Queens,  
 And the Queens old souldier.

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### *Advice to Bachelours.*

**I**F thou wilt know how to chuse a shrew,  
 Come listen unto me,  
 I'll tell you the signs, and the very very lines  
 Of Loves Physiognomy.

If her hair be brown, with a flaxen crown,  
 And grac'd with a nutmeg hue,  
 Both day and night, she's best for delight,  
 And her colour everlasting true.

If her forehead be high, with a rolling eye,  
 And lips that will sweetly melt:



The thing below is better you know,  
Although it be oftner felt.

If her hair be red, she'll sport in the bed,  
But take heed of the danger though:  
For if she carry fire in her upper attire,  
What a divel doth she carry below?

If her hair be yellow, she'll tempt each fellow;  
In the *Immanuel* Colledge:  
For she that doth follow the colour of *Apollo*,  
May be like him in zeal and knowledge.

If she be pale, and a Virgin stale,  
Inclin'd to the sickness green:  
Some raw fruit give her, to open her liver,  
Her stomach, and the thing between.

If her Nose be long, and sharp as her Tongue,  
Take heed of a desperate maid:  
For she that will swagger with an incurable dagger  
With stab and a kissing betray'd.

If her face and her neck have here and there a speck,  
Ne'er stick, but straight you go stride her:  
For it hath been try'd and never denied,  
Such flesh ne'er fails the Rider.

If none of these thy fancy will please,  
 Go seek thy complexion store,  
 And take for thy faint a Lady that will paint,  
 Such beauties thou maist adore.

If beauty do write in her face red and white,  
 And *Cupid* his flowers there breed,  
 It Pleaseth the eye, but the rose will dye,  
 As soon as it runs to seed.

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*Fond Love.*

**C**ome my delicate bonny sweet Betty,  
 Let's dally a while in the shade,  
 Where the Sun by degrees shines through the trees,  
 And the wind blows through the Glade;  
 Where *Telons* her Lover is graced,  
 And richly adorned w<sup>th</sup> green,  
 And the amorous boy with her mother did toy,  
 And the Uncan never was seen;  
 There we may enjoy modest pleasure,  
 As kissing and merry discourse,  
 And never controul a modest sweet soul,  
 For love is a thing of great force.

The green grass shall be thy Pillow  
 To comfort thy spherical head,  
 And my arms shall enjoin my love so divine,

And the earth shall be thy bed ;  
 Thy mantle of fairest flowers,  
 My coat shall thy covered be,  
 And the whistling wind shall sing to our mind,  
 O dainty sweet Lullaby.

Old *Eolus* shall be thy Rocker,  
 With his gentle murmuring noise,  
 And loves mirtle tree shall thy Canopy be ;  
 And the birds harmonious voice  
 Shall bring us into a sweet slumber,  
 While I in thy bosome do rest,  
 And give thee such blis by that, and by —  
 As by poetry can't be exprest.

While thy cherry cheek pleaseth in touching,  
 And in smelling her oderous breath ;  
 Her beauty in my sight, and her voice my delight,  
 Oh my sweets are cast beneath ;  
 Thus ravished with the contentment  
 In more than a lover exprest,  
 And think when I am here, I am in a sphear,  
 And more than immortally blest.

And thus with my mutual coying  
 My love doth me sweetly embrace ;  
 With my hands in her hair, and her fingers so rare,  
 And her playing with my face,  
 We reapt the most happy contentment

That ever two Lovers did find ;  
 What women did see but my Love and me,  
 Would say, that we use to be kind.

*Grinning Honour.*

**N** Ay prithee don't fly me, but sit thee down by (me,  
 For I cannot endure the man that's demure,  
 A pox on your Worships and Sirs ;  
     Your conjeys and trips,  
     With your legs and your lips,  
     Your Madams and Lords,  
     With such finical words,  
     With a complement you bring,  
     Which concerneth no thing  
 You may keep for the Gown and the furs.  
 For at the beginning, &c. —

These titles of Honours were at first in the Donours,  
 And not to the thing unto which they do cling,  
 If the soul be too narrow that wears them,  
     No delight can I see  
     In the thing called degree :  
     Honest Dick sounds as well  
     As the name with an L.  
     And that with titles doth swell,  
     And sounds like a spell  
 To affright mortals ears when they hear them ;

He that wears a brave soul and dares honestly do,  
He's a Herald to himself, and a God-father too.

Why then should we doat on one with a fools coat on,  
Whose Coffers are cram'd, but yet he'll be dam'd  
E'er he do a good Act, or a wise one;

What reason hath he

To be ruler o'er me,

Who's a Lord in a chest:

But his head and his breast

Are as empty and bare,

And but puff up with aire,

And can neither assist nor advise one;

Honour's but Air, and proud flesh but dust is,

It's we Commons make the Lords, as the Clarks  
(make the Justice.

But since we must be of a different degree,

Cause most do aspire to be greater and higher

Than the rest of our fellows and brothers:

He that hath such a spirit,

Let him gain't by his merit,

Spend his brain, wealth, and's blood

For his Countries good,

And make himself fit

By his Valour and his wit

For things above the reach of all others:

Honour's a prize, and who wins it may wear it,

If not, it's a Bag, and a burthen to bear it.

*Merry Dröllerie,*

For my part let me be but quiet and free;  
 I'll drink sack and obey, and let great ones bear sway  
 Who spend their whole time but in thinking;

I'll ne'er trouble my pate  
 With the secrets of State;  
 The news books I'll burn all:  
 And with the diurnall  
 Light Tobacco, and admit  
 That they are so far fit

As to serve good company in drinking;

All the name I desire, is an honest good fellow,  
 Let's drink good Canary untill we grow mellow.

*The Hunting.*

**A** Fox, a fox, up Gallants to the field,  
 Lift to the merry cry that sweetens yields;  
 Joves high-bred boy rides mounted on a Tun;  
 Selenia makes his lasie Ass to run  
 In pursuit of the chace,  
 With which may none compare,  
 Neither for four miles race,  
 Nor hunting of the hare.

Joyn Musick to the Cry, that hollow rocks  
 May eccho forth the hunting of the Fox.

The Fox hath lost the field and left the Town,  
 And up your barly hill shows up and down,

With

With fear infore'd, weak Reynold seems to daunt  
 The courage of the warlike Elephant;  
 But hark, the Horns do blow,  
 And all the huntsmen shout;  
 There goes the Game, I know,  
 But Tickler drives him out;  
 Joyn Musick, &c.

Ride, ride, St. George, he's stole into the bush, (rush;  
 Old swag-pot makes him straight from thence to  
 Then creeps into the vine, and there doth earth;  
 O heavenly cry, exceeding earthly mirth!  
 Hark Youland, and Pottle,  
 Old Gusquin, and Rainsbolt,  
 But hark how *Pim* doth Tattle  
 Now he's got to the hole;  
 Joyn Musick, &c.

The Fox quite spent, about the Town he reels,  
 And now in view he's followed at the heels;  
 Then climbs the tree, that climbing was his fall,  
 And to that fall came in the Huntsmen all:  
 Then Sug, and foot, swilback,  
 Cavil, and speckled Dyer,  
 Toss, swagger, and Spendall  
 Tug him through dirt and mire; (rocks  
 Now Joyn our horn and voices all, that hollow  
 May eccho forth the hunting of the Fox.



## A Song.

'A H, ah, come see what's here!

Young *Rufus* drawing near,

With his thoughts, and his eyes;

And his elevated cries;

Take heed how you come near,

For in a rapture his weak stature

Moun's above the Moon;

And being there, doth stamp and stare,

And swear there is no room

To contain his old brain in the skies,

But he'll go down below,

And he'll know if it be so,

Whether all the wild boyes,

Having spent their mad daies,

Goes when such men dies.

But he finds no comfort there,

Back again to the man in the air;

He catches at the Moon,

And pulls off the shepherds thooone,

And leaves his ten toes bare;

Now the Youth grows mad,

The Moon-man, that was sad,

Starts up as wild as he,

With frowning angry look,

Stood

Stood kirding with his hook,  
 And demands what he might be :  
 He did reply, I will fly round the Globe ;  
 Then make way Earth and Sea,  
 He'll not stay for to Play ;  
 Consent with him importune,  
 He fears an evil Fortune,  
 All his delight's abroad.

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### A Droll.

**L** Et dogs and divels die ;  
 Let Wits and Money fly ;  
 Let the slaves of the earth  
 Be abortive in their birth  
 Well or Ill come, what care I ;  
 For I will roar, I will drink, I will whore,  
 I spend nought but my own :  
 Let slaves of the world be suddenly hurl'd,  
 Or with a whirlwind blown,  
 In and out, round about, hey boyes, hey :  
 Let us sing, let us laugh ;  
 Let us drink, let us quaff ;  
 See the world is sliding,  
 Here is no abiding,  
 Our life's but a Hollyday.

*The Jealous Husband.*

**A** Young man that's in love with one that's wed,  
Which of his sweet heart hath a Jealous head;  
Hath hatched a furious beast,  
For Jealousie takes no rest.

It is a mad frenzy that broiles in the brain,  
It fumes in the stomach, and filleth the vein:  
The handmaids that upon it do wait,  
Is fear, suspicion, and hate.

The smoak of Tobacco it troubleth the brain,  
It makes a man giddy, and quiet again:  
If once he cry, stand away, puff,  
He taketh all kindness in snuff.

He holds it a scorn the trueness of love,  
But woe to the woman that's forced to prove,  
At home, and in every place,  
She lives in a pitiful case.

If he do but miss her out of his sight,  
He rangeth about like a wandring spright:  
And though she be within the house,  
He hunts her as a Cat doth a Mouse.

If any be with her, O how his heart akes!  
 He tickles, he tickles, he trembles, he quakes;  
 But if she be all alone,  
 He sneaks away like a mome.

If she be abroad, and not to be found,  
 He hunts, and he scents, like a bloud-hound;  
 If he her consort doth distaste,  
 O how the poor fool is agast!

At feasts. and at meetings, O how he will pry,  
 He'll wink and nod, and observe her eye;  
 His mops and mows he will shape,  
 Like an old Paris- Garden Ape.

If any do kifs her, or kindly her use,  
 O how it doth vex him, and make him to muse!  
 And plague him with such a smart,  
 As gripeth his very heart.

Perhaps he will flatter, and make excuse,  
 Dissembling his folly, which might her abuse;  
 And seemingly shews himself kind,  
 When Jealousie sticks in his mind.

I'll tell you his vertues, to hold on my Rime,  
 No fool is kinder for a fit or a time;  
 He flatters, he kisses, he swears,  
 It is out of love that he bears.

If this be true love, I would have no such;  
I'll rather wish no love than thus over much;  
For thus a fond jealous Elfe  
Disquiets his wife and himself.

I wonder what pleasure he findeth thereby,  
To find his own torment that hidden may lye,  
And frets like a canker in heart,  
And breeds his continual smart.

He pouts, he lowrs, he looks like a Cur,  
He'll chide, he'll brawl, he'll keep a foul stir,  
And swear he will slit her face,  
Before he'll endure disgrace.

He ruffles, he shuffles, he frets and fumes,  
He Puffs, and snuffs, and sets up his plumes,  
And though the fool have no hurt  
He'll call for a Constable blurt.

He fretteth, he swelleth, he spoyleth his diet;  
He stormeth, he rageth, he is seldom quiet,  
He wastes away like dross,  
When none but himself is his Cross.

He mumbles, and grumbles, poor silly man,  
He whineth, he pineth, he looks pale and wan;  
And when he perceives he must die  
He cries, out upon Jealousie, fie.

I'd rather be a Cuckold, than be so possess'd  
With such a foul spirit that never gives rest,  
That when the Coxcomb should sleep,  
Like a boy, he will play at bopeep.

Besides the great scandal Jealousie bears,  
All men will deride him even to his ears,  
And boys in the street as he goes  
Will point with finger at nose.

He that's a Wittal doth live at more ease,  
He knows the worst; and doth himself please :  
But he that's a Cuckold known,  
May swear it's no fault of his own.

A wife that's abus'd, if she would not tell,  
May work out a charm to fill his night spell,  
Much better to please his mind  
And serve a fool in his kind.

She is now his equal, his flesh and his mate,  
And none but the devil would work their debates  
For being of two made one,  
It is fit he should let her alone.

And yet to conclude, though this be a curse,  
A woman that's Jealous is twenty times worse :  
For she, like a cackling hen,  
Will giggle it out to all men.

*Womens.*

*Womens delight.*

**T**Here dwelt a maid in the Cunny-gate,  
And she was wondrous fair,  
And she would have an old man  
Was overgrown with hair;  
And ever she cry'd, O turn,  
O turn thee unto me,  
Thou hast the thing I have not,  
A little above the knee.

He bought her a Gown of green,  
Became her wondrous well :  
And she bought him a long sword  
To hang down by his heel ;  
And ever she cry'd, &c.

He bought her a Pair of sheers  
To hang by her side :  
And she bought him a winding-sheet  
Against the day he dy'd ;  
And ever she cry'd, &c.

He bought her a Gown, a Gown,  
Imbroider'd all with gold :  
And she gave him a night-cap  
To keep him from the cold,  
And ever she cry'd, &c.



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He bought her a Gown, a Gown,  
Imbroider'd all with red :  
And she gave him a pair of horns  
to wear upon his head ;  
And ever she cry'd, turn,  
O turn thee unto me,  
Thou hast the thing I have not  
A little above the knee.

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## The Drunkard.

**T**He spring is coming on, and our spirits begin  
To return to their places merrily home,  
And every man is bound to lay in a good  
Brewing of bloud for the year to come.

They are Cowards that make it of clarified whay,  
Or drink, with the swine, of the Juice of grains ;  
Let me have the rasie Canary to play,  
And the sparkling Rhenish to dance in my veins,

Let Dotards go preach, that our lives are but short,  
And tell us much wine doth quick death invite :  
But we'll be reveng'd before hand, and for't  
We'll croud a lives mirth in the space of a night.

Then stand we about with our glasses full crown'd,  
Till every thing else to our postures do grow,

Till

Till our cups, and our heads, and the house go round,  
And the Sellar become where the Chamber is now.

Come fill us some wine, we'll a sacrifice bring,  
This night full of sack to the health of our K——  
Till we baffle the stars, and the Sun fetch about,  
And tipple, and tipple, and tipple, a rout.

Whose first rising raies that is shewn from his throne  
Shall dash upon faces as red as his own,  
And wonder that Mortals can fuddle away  
As much wine in a night as he water i'th' day.

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*In Praise of Chocolate.*

**D**Octors lay by your irksome books:  
And all the petty-fogging Rooks  
Leave quacking, and enucleate  
The vertues of our Chocolate.

Let th' universall medicine  
(Made up of dead-mens bones and skin)  
Be henceforth illegitimate,  
And yield to soveraign Chocolate.

Let bawdy-baihs be us'd no more,  
Nor smoaky-stoves, but by the whore

Of *Babylon*, since happy fate  
Hath blessed us with Chocolate.

Let old *Puncheon* greaze his shooes  
With his mock-Balsome, and abuse  
No more the world: but meditate  
The excellence of Chocolate.

Let Doctor *Trig* (who so excells)  
No longer trudge to westward wells;  
For though that water expurgate,  
It's but the dregs of Chocolate.

Let all the *Paracelsian* Crew,  
Who can extract Christian from Jew,  
Or out of Monarchy or state  
Break all their Stills for Chocolate.

Tell us no more of weapon-falve,  
But rather doom us to a grave,  
For sure our wounds will ulcerate  
Unless they're washt with Chocolate.

The thriving Saint, that will not come  
Within a sack-shops bouzing Room;  
His spirits to exhilarate)  
Drinks bowls(at home) of Chocolate.

His spouse, when she (brim-full of sence)  
Doth want her due benevolence,  
And babes of grace would propagate,  
Is alwaies sipping Chocolate.

The roaring Crew of gallant ones,  
Whose marrow rots within their bones,  
Their bodies quickly regulate,  
If once but sous'd in Chocolate.

Young heirs, that have more Land than wit,  
When once they do but taste of it,  
Will rather spend their whole Estate  
Than weaned be from Chocolate.

The nut-brown Lasses of the Land,  
Whom Nature vail'd in face and hand,  
Are quickly beauties of high rate,  
By one small draught of Chocolate.

Besides, it saves the moneys lost  
Each day in patches, which did cost  
Them dear, untill of late  
They found this heavenly Chocolate.

Nor need the women longer grieve,  
Who spend their Oyl, yet not conceive:  
But its a help immediate  
If such but lick of Chocolate

Consumption

Consumptions too (be well assur'd)  
Are no less soon than soundly cur'd  
Excepting such as do relate  
Into the purse )by Chocolate.

Say more : Its Virtue is so much,  
That if a Lady get a touch,  
Her grief it will extenuate,  
If she but smell of Chocolate.

The feeble man, whom nature ties  
To do his Mistress's drudgeries :  
How it will his mind elate,  
If she allow him Chocolate.

It will make old women young and fresh,  
Create new motions of the flesh,  
And cause them long for you know what,  
If they but taste of Chocolate.

There's ne'er a Common-Council man,  
Whose life will reach unto a span,  
Should he not well affect the state,  
And first and last drink Chocolate.

For ne'er a Citizen's chaste wife  
That ever shall prolong her life,  
Whilst open stands her postern gate)  
Unless she drink of Chocolate.

Nor dos't the Levite any harm,  
 It keepeth his devotion warm;  
 And eke the hair upon his pate,  
 So long as he drinks Chocolate.

Both high and low, both rich and poor,  
 My Lord, my Lady, and his ———  
 With all the folks at *Billinggate*,  
 Bow, bow your hams to Chocolate.

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*A Catch.*

**T**Here was an old man had an acre of land,  
 He sold it for five pound a,  
 He went to the Tavern and drank it all out,  
 Excepting half a crown a:  
 And as he came home he met with a wench,  
 And ask'd her whether she was willing  
 To go to the Tavern and spend eighteen pence,  
 And ——— for the other odd shilling.

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*The Cavalier's Complaint.*

**C**ome *Jack*, let's drink a Pot of Ale,  
 And I shall tell thee such a Tale  
 Will make thine ears to ring:

My Coyn is spent, my time is lost,  
And I this only Fruit can boast,  
That once I saw my King.

But this doth most afflict my mind,  
I went to Court, in hope to find  
Some of my friends in Place;  
And walking there, I had a sight  
Of all the Crew : But, by this light,  
I hardly knew one face !

S' life of so many Noble Sparkes,  
Who on their bodies bear the Markes  
Of their integrity,  
And suffer'd Ruin of estate;  
It was my damn'd unhappy Fate;  
That I not one could see !

Not one, upon my life, among  
My old acquaintance, all along  
At *Truro*, and before;  
And, I suppose the Place can shew  
As few of those, whom thou didst know  
At *York*, or *Marston-moore*.

But, truly, There are swarms of Those,  
Whose Chins are beardless, yet their Hoses  
And Buttocks still wear muffs;



Whilst the old rusty Cavaleer  
Retires, or dares not once appear  
For want of Coin, and Cuffs.

When none of these I could descry,  
Who, better far deserv'd, than I  
Calmly did reflect;  
Old services, (by rule of state)  
Like *Almanacks*, grow out of date,  
What then can I expect?

Troth, in contempt of Fortunes frown,  
I'll get me fairly out of town,  
And, in a Cloyster pray,  
That, since the Stars are yet unkind  
To Royallists, the King may find  
More faithfull friends than they.

### *An Eccho to the Cavaleers complaint.*

**I** Marvel Dick, That having been  
So long abroad, and having seen  
The world, as thou hast done,  
Thou should'st acquaint Me with a tale  
As old as *Nestor*, and as stale  
As that of Priest and Nun!

Are We to learn what is a Court ?  
A Pageant made for fortunes sport,  
Where Merits scarce appear :  
For bashfull Merit only dwells  
In Camps, in Villages and Cells ;  
Alas ! it dwells not there,

Desert is nice in its Address,  
And Merit oftimes doth oppress  
Beyond what Guilt would do :  
But they are sure of there Demands,  
That come to Court with Golden-hands  
And Brazen-faces too.

The King, they say, doth still profess,  
To give His Party some redress,  
And cherish Honesty :  
But his good wishes prove in vain,  
Whose Service with His servants gain,  
Not alwaies doth agree.

All Princes (be they never so wise)  
Are faine to see with others Eyes,  
But seldom hear at all :  
And Courtiers find't their interest,  
In Time to feather well their nest,  
Providing for their Fall.

Our Comfort doth on Time depend;  
Things, When they are at worst, will mend;

And let us but reflect  
On our Condition th' other day,  
When none but Tyrants bore the sway,  
What did we then expect?

Mean while a calm retreat is best:  
But discontent (if not suppress)

Will breed Disloyalty.  
This is the constant note I sing,  
I have been faithfull to the King,  
And so shall ever be.

### *The Colchester Quaker.*

**A**LL in the Land of *Essex*  
Near *Cholchester* the zealous,  
On the side of a bank,  
Was play'd such a prank,  
As would make a stone-horse Jealous,

Help *Woodcock*, *Fox*, and *Nailor*,  
For Brother *Green*'s a stallion,  
Now alas what hope,  
Of converting the Pope,  
When a quaker turns *Italian*?

Into our whole profession,  
A scandall 'twill be counted ,  
When 'tis talk't with disdain,  
Amongst the profane,  
How Brother *Green* was mounted.

And in the good time of Christmas,  
Which though the Saints have damn'd all,  
Yet when did they hear  
That a damn'd Cavalier  
E'er play'd such a Christmas gamball,

Had thy flesh, O *Green*, been pamper'd  
With any Cates unhallow'd,  
Hadst thou sweetned thy Gums  
With Potrage of Plums,  
Or profane minc'd-Pie hadst swallow'd.

Roll'd up in wanton Swines flesh,  
The fiend might have crept into thee,  
Then fulness of gut  
Might have made thee rut,  
And the Divel so have rid through thee.

But alas ,he had been feasted  
With a spiritual Collation,  
By our frugal Mayer  
Who can dine with a prayer,  
And sup with an Exhortation.

'Twas

Twas meer impulse off spirit,  
 Though he us'd the weapon carnall,  
     Filly-Foal, quoth he,  
     My bride thou shalt be;  
 Now how this is lawfull, learn all.

For if no respect of persons  
 Be due' mongst the sons of *Adam*,  
     In a large extent  
     Then may it be meant  
 That a *Mare's* as good as a *Madam*.

Then without more Ceremony,  
 Nor Bonnet vail'd, nor kist her,  
     He took her by force  
     For better for worse,  
 And he us'd her like a Sister.

Now when in such a Saddle  
 A Saint will needs be riding,  
     Though I dare not say,  
     'Tis a falling away,  
 May there not be some back-sliding?

No surely, quoth *James Naylor*,  
 'Twas but an insurrection  
     Of the Carnal part,  
     For a Quaker in heart  
 Can never lose perfection.

For so our \* Masters teach us,  
 The intent being well directed;  
     Though the divel trapan  
     The Adamical man,  
 The Saint stands uninfected.

\* Hist. of Jesuitism.

But yet a Pagan Jury  
 Still Judges what's intended,  
     Then say what we can,  
     Brother *Green's* outward man,  
 I fear, will be suspended.

And our adopted Sister  
 Will find no better quarter,  
     But when him we inroule  
     For a Saint; Filly Foal  
 Shall pass at least for a Martyr.

Now *Rome* that Spiritual *Sodom*  
 No longer is thy debter,  
     O *Colchester* now  
     Who's *Sodom*, but thou  
 Even according to the Letter?

Help *Woodcock*, *Fox* and *Naylor*;  
 For Brother *Green's* a Stallion.  
     Now alas what hope  
     Of converting the Pope,  
 When a Quaker turns *Italian*.

*The Character of a Mistress.*

**M**Y Mistress is a shittle-cock,  
 Compos'd of Cork and feather,  
 Each Battledore sets on her dock,  
 And bumps her on the leather :  
 But cast her off which way you Will,  
 She will requoile to another still, Fa, la, la, la, la, la.

My Mistress is a Tennis-ball,  
 Compos'd of Cotten fine ;  
 She is often struck against the wall,  
 And banded under-line,  
 But if you will her mind fulfill,  
 You must pop her in the hazard still, Fa, la, la.

My Mistress is a Nightingale  
 So sweetly she can sing,  
 She is as fair as Philomel,  
 The daughter of a King ;  
 And in the darksome nights so thick  
 She loves to lean against a prick, Fa, la, la,

My Mistress is a Ship of war,  
 With shot discharged at her,  
 The Poop hath inferred many a scar  
 Even both by wind and water ;



But as she grapples, at the last  
She drowns the man, pulls down her mast, Fa, la, la.

My Mistris is a Virginal,  
And little cost will string her :  
She's often rear'd against the wall  
For every man to finger,  
But to say truth, if you will her please  
You must run division on her keys, Fa, la, la.

My Mistris is a Conny fine,  
She's of the softest skin,  
And if you please to open her,  
The best part lies within,  
And in her Conny-burrow may  
Two Tumblers and a Ferrit play, Fa, la, la,

My Mistris is the Moon so bright :  
I wish that I could win her ;  
She never walks but in the night,  
And bears a man within her,  
Which on his back bears pricks and thorns,  
And once a month she brings him horns, Fa, la, la,

My Mistris is a Tinder-box,  
Would I had such a one ;  
Her Steel endureth many a knock  
Both by the flint and stone.

And

And if you stir the Tinder much,  
The match will fire at every touch, Fa, la la.

My Mistris is a Puritan,  
She will not swear an oath,  
But for to lye with any man,  
She is not very loath;  
Put pure to pure, and there's no sin,  
There's nothing lost that enters in, Fa, la, la.

But why should I my Mistris call,  
A shittle-cock or bawble,  
A ship of war or Tennis-ball,  
Which things be variable?  
But to commend, I'll say no more,  
My Mistris is an arrant — Fa, la, la, la, la, la,

### *Oliver routing the Rump.*

(before,  
**W**ill you hear a strange thing, ne'er heard of  
A Ballad of news without any lyes:  
The Parliament men are turn'd out of door,  
And so is the Council of State likewise.

Brave *Oliver* came into th' House like a spright,  
His fiery looks made the Speaker dumbe:  
You must be gone home, quoth he, by this light,  
Do you mean to sit here untill dooms-day come?  
With

With that the Speaker lookt pale for fear,  
As if he had been with the night mare rid,  
Which made most men believe, that were there,  
That he did even as the Alderman did.

For *Oliver* thought he were Doctor at law,  
It seems he plaid the Physitian there :  
Whose Physick so wrought in the Speakers maw,  
That it gave him a stool instead of a Chair.

*Sir Arthur* thought *Oliver* wondrous bold,  
Hoping there to make some stir :  
But in the mean time, take this from me,  
*Sir Arthur* must yield to brave *Oliver*.

*Harry Martin* wondred to see such a thing  
Done by a Saint of so high degree :  
An Act he did not expect from a King,  
Much less from such a dry-bone as he.

But *Oliver*, laying hands on his sword,  
Upbraids him with adultery :  
Then *Martin* gave him never a word,  
But humbly thank'd his Majesty.

Much wit he had shewed if that he had dar'd,  
But silent he was for fear of some knocks :  
Quoth he, if I get you within my ward,  
I may chance to send you out with a Pox.

*Allen* the Copper-smith was in great fear,  
 He had done as much hurt since the war began :  
 A broken Citizen many a year,  
 And now he's a broken Parliament-man:

But *Oliver* told him what he had been,  
 And him a cheating Knave did call,  
 Which put him into a fit of the spleen,  
 For now he must give an account of all.

It went to the heart of *Sir Henry Vane*  
 To think what a terrible fall he should have:  
 For he who did once in the Parliament reign  
 Was call'd as I hear, a dissembling Knave.

Who gave him that name you may easily know,  
 'Twas one that studied the art full well,  
 You may swear it was true, if he call'd him so,  
 And how to dissemble I'm sure he can tell.

*Bradshaw*, the President, proud as the Pope,  
 Who lov'd upon Kings and Princes to trample,  
 Now the House is dissolved, who cannot but hope  
 To see such a President made an example.

If I were one of the Council of state,  
 I'll tell you what my vote should be :  
 Upon his new Turret at *Westminster*,  
 There to be hanged he should be.

Then

Then room for the Speaker without his mace,  
And room for the rest of the rabble-rout :  
My Masters, is not this a pittifull case  
Like the snuff of a candle thus to go out ?

I cannot but wonder you should agree,  
You that have been such brethren in evill :  
A dissolution there needs must be,  
When the Diuel is divided against a Devil.

Some like this change, and some like it not :  
Some say it was not done in due season :  
Some say it was the Jesuites plot :  
It so much resembles the Gunpowder treason.

Some think that Cromwel and Charles are agreed,  
And sure it were good policy if it were so,  
Lest the Hollander, French, the Dane and the Swede  
Should bring him in whether he will or no.

And now I would gladly conclude my song  
With a prayer as Ballads use to do,  
But yet I'll forbear, for I hope er't be long  
We shall have the King and a Parliament too.

*A Song of Nothing.*

**I**'Le Sing you a Sonnet that ne'er was in Print,  
 'Tis truly and newly come out of the Mint,  
 I'll tell you before-hand; you'll find Nothing in't,  
 On Nothing I think, and on Nothing I write;  
 'Tis Nothing I court, yet Nothing I light,  
 Nor care I a Pin, if I get Nothing by't. (men,  
 Fire, Air, Earth, and water, Beasts, Birds, Fish and silly  
 Did start out of Nothing, a Chaos, a Den;  
 And all things shall turn into Nothing agen.  
 'Tis Nothing sometimes makes many things hit  
 As when fools among wise men do silently sit  
 A fool that says Nothing, may pass for a wit.  
 What one man loves is another mans loathing,  
 This blade loves a quick thing, that loves a slow  
 And both do in the conclusion love Nothing. (things  
 Your Lad that makes love to a delicate smooth thing  
 And thinking with sighs to gain her & soothing,  
 Frequently makes much ado about Nothing,  
 At last when his patience and purse is decay'd  
 He may to the bed of a Whore be betray'd;  
 But she that hath Nothing, must need be a maid.  
 Your flashing, and clashing, and flashing of wit  
 Doth start out of Nothing, but fancy and fit;  
 'Tis little or Nothing to what hath been writ,  
 When first by the ears we together did fall,

Then

Then something got Nothing, and Nothing got all;  
 From Nothing it came, and to Nothing it shall.  
 That party that seal'd to a cov'nant in haste,  
 Who made our 3 Kingdoms, and Churches lie waste;  
 Their project, and all came to Nothing at last.  
 They raised an Army of horse, and Foot,  
 To tumble down Monarchy, Branches and Root;  
 They thunder'd and plunder'd, but Nothing would  
 The Organ, the Altar, and Ministers cloathing (do't.  
 In Presbyter *Jack* begot such a loathing,  
 That he must needs raise a petty New-Nothing.  
 And when he had rob'd us in sanctifi'd cloathing,  
 Perjur'd the people by faithing and trothing;  
 At last he was catch't and all came to Nothing.  
 In several Factions we quarrel and brawl,  
 Dispute, and contend, and to fighting we fall;  
 He lay all to Nothing, that Nothing wins all.  
 When war, and rebellion, and plundering grows;  
 The Mendicant man is the freest from foes,  
 For he is most happy hath Nothing to lose.  
 Brave *Cæsar* and *Pompey*, and Great *Alexander*,  
 Whom Armies follow'd as Goose follows Gander,  
 Nothing can sayt 'tis an action of slander.  
 The wisest great Prince, were he never so stout (rout,  
 Though conquer the world, and give mankind a  
 Did bring Nothing in, nor shall bear Nothing out.  
 Old *Noll* that arose from High-thing to Low-thing,  
 By brewing rebellion, Nicking, and Frothing,  
 In sev'n years distance was all things, and Nothing.



Dick (*Olivers Heir*) that pitiful slow-thing,  
 Who was once investèd with purple-cloathing,  
 Stands for a Cypher, and that stands for Nothing.  
 If King-killers bold are excluded from blifs,  
 Old *Bradshaw* (that feels the reward on't by this)  
 Had better been Nothing, than what now he is.  
 Blind Collonel *Hemson*, that lately did crawl  
 To lofty degree, from a low Coblers stall,  
 Did bring Aul to Nothing, when Aul came to all.  
 Your Gallants that Rant it in dell'cate clothing,  
 Though lately he was but a pit'ful low-thing,  
 Pays Landlord, Draper, and Taylor, with Nothing.  
 The nimble-tongu'd Lawyer that pleads for his pay,  
 When death doth arrest him and bear him away,  
 At the Gen'ral Bar will have Nothing to say.  
 Whores that in silk were by Gallants embrac't;  
 By a rabble of Prentices lately were chac't (last  
 Thus Courting, and sporting, comes to Nothing as  
 If any man tax me with weakness of wit  
 And say that on Nothing, I nothing have writ,  
 I shall answer *ex nihilo nihil fit*.  
 Yet let his discreet one be never so tall,  
 This very word Nothing shall give it a fall,  
 For writing of Nothing I comprehend all.  
 Let every man give the Poet his due,  
 'Cause then it was with him as now it's with you,  
 He studi'd it when he had Nothing to doe.  
 This very word Nothing if it took the right way

May prove advantagious for what would you say,  
If the Vintner should cry there is Nothing to pay.

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*A Catch.*

**B** *Acchus*, I am come from the sun-shine fell  
To you, mad wags, the force of wine to tell,  
And from those Sack-butts, Prest from grapes of  
There's none shall taste but I will taste again. (*Spain*  
Sack, Sack is the thing that makes the brain rumble,  
It fools the wise, and makes the Gallant stumble.  
Sack hath the power the sense of man depriving.

O take heed then;

Sack keeps the wealthy man from thriving;

Fools then be wise.

He that in drink doth keep no mean

It makes him lean;

And he that reels,

See what he feels:

Now in foul dirt he prostrate falls,

And picks mad quarrels with the walls;

Nor shall his drouzie sense, that lies asleep,

Be well recover'd in a night of sleep.

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*A Catch.*

**B**E not thou so foolish nice

As to be invited twice;

Why should we men more incite

Than their own sweet appetite?

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## Merry Drollerie,

Shall savage things more freedom have  
 Than nature unto women gave?  
 The Swan, the Turtle, and the Sparrow,  
 Bill a while, and then take marrow;  
 They bill, they kiss, what else they do,  
 Come bill and kiss, and I'll shew you.

## Pim's Anarchy.

Aske me no more, why there appears  
 Dayly such troops of Dragooners,  
 Since it was requisite, you know,  
 They rob *cum privilegio*.

Aske me no more, why the Gule confines  
 Our Hierarchy of best Divines,  
 Since some in Parliament agree  
 'Tis for the Subjects liberty.

Aske me no more, why from *Blackwall*  
 Great tumults come into *Whitehall*,  
 Since it was allowed, by free consent,  
 The Priviledges of Parliament.

Aske me not, why to *London* comes  
 So many Musquets, Pikes and Drums,  
 So that we fear They'll never cease,  
 'Tis to Protect the Kingdoms peace.

Aske

Aske me no more, why little *Finch*  
 From Parliament began to winch,  
 Since such as dare to hawk at Kings  
 Can easie clip a Finches wings.

Aske me no more, why *Strafford's* dead,  
 And why they aim'd so at his head,  
 Faith, all the reason I can give,  
 'Tis thought he was too wise to live.

Aske me no more, where's all the plate,  
 Brought in at such an easie rate,  
 They it back to the Owners soon will bring  
 In case it fall not to the King.

Aske me not, why the house delights  
 Not in our two wise Kentish Knights:  
 Their Counfel never was thought good,  
 Because it was not understood.

Aske me no more, why *Lasley* goes  
 To seize all rich men as his foes,  
 Whilst Country Farmers sigh and sob,  
 Yeomen may beg when Kings do rob.

Aske me no more, by what strange fight  
 Londons Lord Maior was made a Knight,  
 Since there's a strength, not very far,  
 Hath as much power to make, as mar.

Aske me no more, why in this age  
 I sing so sharp without a cage;  
 My answer is, I need not fear,  
 Since England doth the burden bear.

Aske me no more, for I grow dull,  
 Why *Hotham* kept the Town of *Hill*;  
 This answer I in brief do sing,  
 All things were thus when *Pim* was *K*.

### A Session of wit.

A Session was held the other day,  
 And *Apollo* was at it (they say):  
 The Laurels hath been so long perserv'd,  
 Was now to be given to him best deserv'd.

Therefore the Wits of the Town came thither,  
 'Twas strange to see how they flock together;  
 Each, strongly confident of his own way,  
 That day thought to carry the Laurel away.

There was *Selden*, and he sat close to the Chair;  
*Wainman* not far off, which was very fair;  
*Sands* with *Townsend*, for they kept no order;  
*Digby* and *Shillingworth* a little further.

There

There was *Lucans* Translator too, and he  
That made God speak so big in's Poetry;  
*Selwin*, and *Waller*, and *Bartlets* both the Brothers,  
*Jack Vaughan*, and *Porter*, and divers others.

The first that broke silence was good old *Ben*,  
Prepar'd before with Canary wine,  
And he told them plainly, he deserv'd the Bayes,  
For his were call'd Works when others were call'd  
(Plaies.

Bid them remember how he had purg'd the Stage  
Offerours that had lasted many an Age;  
And he hoped they did not think the *Silent woman*,  
The *Fox*, and the *Alehy mist* out-done by no man.

*Apollo* stopt him there, and bid him not go on,  
'Twas merit, he said, and not presumption,  
Must carry't; at which *Ben* turn'd about,  
And in great choler offer'd to go out.

But those that were there thought it not fit  
To discontent so ancient a wit,  
And therefore *Apollo* call'd him back again,  
And made him mine Host of his own new Inn.

*Tom Carew* was next, but he had a fault  
That would not well stand with a *Laureat*,  
His Muse was hide-bound, and the Issue of's brain  
Was seldom brought forth but with trouble and pain.  
And

And all that were present there did agree  
 A Laureat Muse should be easie and free ; (Grace  
 Yet sure 'twas not that, but 'twas thought that his  
 Consider'd he was well he had a cup-bearers place.

*Will. Davenant* ashamed of a foolish mischance,  
 That he had got lately traveling into *France*,  
 Modestly hoped the handsomness of's Muse  
 Might any deformity about him excuse.

And surely the company would have been content  
 If they could have found any precedent,  
 But in all there Records, either in *Verse* or *Prose*,  
 There was not one Laureat without a *Nose*.

To *Will Bartlet* sure all the Wits meant well,  
 But first they would see how his Snow would sell :  
*Will* smil'd, and swore in their Judgments they went  
 That concluded of merit upon success. (less,

Suddenly taking his place agen,  
 He gave way to *Selwin*, who straight stept in ;  
 But, alas, he had been so lately a wit  
 That *Apollo* himself scarce knew him yet.

*Toby Mathews*, (pox on him) what made he there ?  
 Was whispering nothing in some bodie's eare ;  
 When he had the honour to be nam'd in Court,  
 But, Sir, you may thank my Lady *Carlisle* for't.



or had not her Character furnish'd you out  
With something of handsome, without all doubt,  
You and the sorry Lady-Muse had been  
In the number of those that were not let in.

In from the Court two or three come in,  
And they brought Letters (forsooth) from the Queen:  
Twas discreetly done; for if th' had come  
Without them, th' had scarce been let into the room.

This made a dispute, for 'twas plain to be seen  
Each man had a mind to gratifie the Queen:  
But *Apollo* himself could not think it fit: (wit-  
There was difference, he said, betwixt fooling and

*Suckling* was next call'd but durst not appear,  
But straight one whisper'd *Apollo* in the ear,  
That of all men living he car'd not for't,  
He lov'd not the Muses so well as his sport.

And priz'd black eyes, or a lucky hit  
At bowls, above all the Trophies of wit;  
But *Apollo* was angry, and publickly said,  
'Twere fit that a fine were set upon's head.

Wat *Montague* now stood forth to his trial,  
And did not so much as suspect a denial:  
But wise *Apollo* asked him first of all,  
If he understood his own *Pastoral*.

For

For if he could do't, 'twould plainly appeare  
 He understood more than any man there,  
 And did merit the *Bayes* above all the rest,  
 But the *Monsieur* was modest, and silence confest.

During these troubles, in the croud was hid  
 One that *Apollo* soon miss'd, little *Cid*;  
 And having spide him, call'd him out of the throng,  
 And advis'd him in his ear not to write so strong.  
 Then *Murre* was summon'd, but it was urg'd, that he  
 Was chief already of another company.

*Hales* fate by himself, most gravely did smile,  
 To see them about nothing keep such a coile;  
*Apollo* had spide him, but knowing his mind,  
 Past by, and call'd *Faulkland*, that fate just behind.

But he was of late so grown with divinity,  
 That he had almost forgot his Poetry,  
 Though, to say the truth (and *Apollo* did know it)  
 He might have been both his Priest and his Poet.

At length, who but an *Alderman* did appear,  
 At which *Will Davenant* began to swear;  
 But wiser *Apollo* bade him draw nigher:  
 And when he was mounted a little higher,

He openly declared, that it was the best sign  
 Of good store of Wit, to have good store of Coyn.

And, without a Syllable more or less said,  
He put the Laurel on the *Aldermans* head.

At this all the Wits were in such a maze,  
That for a good while they did nothing but gaze  
One upon another; not one in the Place  
But had a discontent writ at large in his face.

Only the small ones cheared up again,  
Out of hope, as 'twas thought, of borrowing;  
But sure they were out, for he forfeits his crown  
When he lends to any Poet about the Town.

*The way to wooe a zealous Lady.*

I Came unto a Puritan to wooe,  
I And roughly did salute her with a kifs;  
She shov'd me from her when I came unto;  
Brother, by yea and nay I like not this:  
And as I her with amorous talk saluted,  
My Articles with scripture she confuted.

She told me that I was too much prophane,  
And not devout neither in speech nor gesture:  
And I could not one word answer again,  
Nor had not so much grace to call her Sister;  
For ever something did offend her there,  
Either my broad beard, hat, or my long hair.

My

My Band was broad, my 'Parrel was not plain,  
 My Points and Girdle made the greatest show ;  
 My Sword was odious, and my Belt was vain,  
 My Spanish shoee was cut too broad at toe ;  
 My Stockings light, my Garters ty'd too long,  
 My Gloves perfum'd, and had a scent too strong.

I left my pure Mistris for a space,  
 And to a snip snap Barber straight went I ;  
 I cut my hair, and did my corps uncase  
 Of 'Parrels pride that did offend the eye ;  
 My high crown'd Hat, my little beard also,  
 My pecked Band, my Shooes were sharp at toe.

Gone was my Sword, my Belt was laid aside,  
 And I transform'd both in looks and speech ;  
 My 'Parrel plain, my Cloak was void of pride,  
 My little Skirts, my metamorphos'd breech,  
 My Stockings black, my Garters were ty'd shorter,  
 My Gloves no scent ; thus march'd I to her Porter.

The Porter spi'd me, and did lead me in,  
 Where his sweet Mistris reading was a chapter :  
 Peace to this house, and all that are therein,  
 Which holy words with admiration wrapt her ;  
 And ever, as I came her something nigh,  
 She, being divine, turn'd up the white of th' eye.

Quoth I, dear sister, and that lik'd her well ;  
 I kist her, and did Pass to some delight,  
 She, blushing, said, that long-tail'd men would tell ;  
 Quoth I I'll be as silent as the night ;  
 And lest the wicked now should have a sight  
 Of what we do, faith, I'll put out the light.

O do not swear, quoth she, but put it out,  
 Because that I would have you save your oath,  
 In truth, you shall but kifs me without doubt ;  
 In troth, quoth I, here will we rest us both ;  
 Swear you quoth she, in troth ? Had you not sworn  
 I'd not have don't but took it in foul scorn.

### *The Apostate World.*

Good Lord what a pass is this world brought to,  
 Most men have forgot to be honest and Just ;  
 When shall one find a friend to be honest and true  
 That with his chief secret he only may trust ;  
 If thou hadst abundance of money to spend,  
 Then every man will be accounted thy friend ; (say  
 Find one that will love you where wealth doth de-  
 You'd as soon find a needle in a bottle of hay.

True friendship is now adaies cunning and waining,  
 And every one learns to shift for himself ;  
 What man will not falsifie friendship for gaining,  
 And

And wrong his best friend for lucre of pelf?  
 There was once a time when a friend for a friend  
 Would ever be constant his life for to spend;  
 But he that will find such a friend at this day,  
 Had as good seek, &c.

There's many will hang on you while you have coyn  
 And swear they will venture their lives for you  
 But to any task, if you them enjoyn, (sakes  
 They'll swear and protest they'll it undertake,  
 But if by mishap you be brought to a Pinch, (Cinch  
 Though they promise an ell, 'twill scarce prove an  
 But find out a friend that will do and not say,  
 You'd as soon find, &c.

For in this age one dare not trust one another,  
 For love is not known, but extremity shews,  
 For one Brother dares hardly trust another  
 With any thing but what he cares not who knows;  
 If thou hast not money nor means of thine own,  
 In thine extremity true friendship is known;  
 If thou livest in debt, find one that will good say,  
 You'd as soon find, &c.

There's many a Lawyer will promise his Client  
 To finish his business in the next Term;  
 To finger your money he'll shew himself plient,  
 And vows that nothing but truth he'll explain;  
 And thus he will feed you with hopes to do well,  
 When

When he means as false as the diuel of hell;  
Find one that will finish your Suit in a day,  
You'd as soon find, &c.

And thus you may see what an intricate matter  
It is to find truth in a World of deceit;  
It is counted but complement to face and to flatter  
And politick wisdom to cozen and cheat;  
Plain dealing is a Jewel, but he that doth use it,  
They say, dies a beggar, therefore men refuse it;  
Find one that will deal upright, nay, good Sir stay,  
And first find a needle in a bottle of hay.

### *Lust described.*

**W**alking abroad in a morning,  
Where *Venus* her self was adorning;  
I heard a bird sing to welcome the Spring,  
Their musick so sweetly according.

I listened unto them,  
Me thoughts a voice did summon;  
I spide an old whore, and a lusty young rogue  
Together as they sate a wooing.

She tickled him under the sides  
To make their courage coming;  
She hoysted her thighs, and she twinkled her eyes;  
Twas a dainty fine curious old woman.



If *Venus* and *Mars* so stout  
 Had joyned together in battle,  
 There could not have been more claps & more bang  
 For he made her old buttocks to rattle.

She gave him a lift for his thrust,  
 And catcht him as he was a coming;  
 And ever she cry'd, you lusty young rogue  
 Will you murder a poor old woman?

She found that his spirits were spent,  
 And that he was no more a coming,  
 She gave him five shillings to make a recruit,  
 And was not this a fine lusty old woman?

### Eighty Eight.

**I**N *Eighty Eight*, e'er I was born,  
 As I can well remember,  
 In *August* was a Fleet of *Spain*,  
 A month before *September*.

*Lisbona*, civill *Portingal*,  
*Tolledo*, and *Germado*,  
 They all did meet, and made a Fleet,  
 And call'd it the *Armado*.

They came with great provision,  
As Muttons, Beef and Bacon;  
Some said, some Ships were full of Whips,  
But I think they were mistaken.

There was a little man in *Spain*,  
He shot well in a Gun a,  
*Don Pedro* hight, as black a Wight  
As the Knight of the Sun a.

They had ten men to one of ours,  
And yet to do more harm a,  
They said they would not come alone,  
But with the Prince of *Parma*.

King *Philip* made him General,  
And bid him not to stay a,  
But to destroy both man and boy,  
And so to come away a.

When they had sail'd along the seas,  
And anchor'd before *Dover*,  
Our English men did boord them there,  
And cast the Rascals over.

At *Tilbury* there lay the Queen,  
What would you more desire?  
For whose sweet sake Sir *Francis Drake*  
Did set them all on fire.

They ran away about *England*,  
 About *Scotland* also a,  
 Till they came to the *Irish* coasts,  
 Where they had many a blow a.

The *Irish* man did ding them then  
 And one man slew threescore a,  
 And had they not then run away,  
 They surely had slain more a.

Then let them never brag nor boast,  
 For if they come again a  
 They had best take heed, lest that they speed  
 As they did they know when a.

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*Loves Follie.*

**N**ay out upon this fooling for shame  
 Nay Pish, nay fie, in faith you are to blame;  
 Nay come, this fooling must not be;  
 Nay pish, nay fie, you tickle me.

Nay out upon't in faith I dare not do't;  
 I'll bite, I'll scratch, I'll squeak, I'll cry out;  
 Nay come, this fooling must not be;  
 Nay pish, nay fie, you tickle me.

Your Buttons scratch me, you ruffle my band,  
 You hurt my thighs, Pray take away your hand;  
 The door stands ope that all may see,

Nay pish, nay fie, you tickle me.

When you and I shall meet in a place  
 Both together face to face,  
 I'll not cry out, nay you shall see,

Nay pish, nay fie, you tickle me,

But now I see my words are but vain,  
 For I have done, why should I complain?

Nay to't again, the way is free,

Since it's no more, pray tickle me.

### A Song.

**I**F every woman were serv'd in her kind,  
 And every man had his due desert,  
 The rooms in Bridewel would be well lin'd,  
 And a Coach could not pass the streets for a Cart;  
 Yet I am a little vex'd at the heart,  
 And fain I would have my grief to be known,  
 The Punck would have me to play a kind part,  
 And to father a child that is none of mine own:

Full seventeen months I crost the seas,  
 Mean time I was crost as much on the land,

For all this while she sate at her ease,  
 And had her companions at her command;  
 There was never a Gallant but gave her his hand,  
 And said, it was pittie she should lie alone,  
 And now they would have me subscribe to a bond,  
 And to father a child, &c.

Let every father take care For his Child,  
 And seek to provide for the Mother and that;  
 Aithough I am a Buck, I am not so wild  
 To naile up my horns for another mans hat;  
 I'll never grieve, but let it pass,  
 Since 'tis my fortune to be overthrown,  
 Although I am an Oxe, I'll ne'er be an Ass  
 To father a child, &c.

A man may be made a Cuckold by chance,  
 And put out another mans child to nurse,  
 And hoodwinke his Barn with ignorance,  
 But he that's a Wittall is ten times worse;  
 And he that knows his cross and his curse,  
 And still will be led by a Strumpets moan,  
 May sit and sell horns at Brittain's Burse;  
 And father a child, &c.

And if you will be my Judge,  
 Is not that man wondrous base,  
 To be another mans slave and his drudge,  
 And sell all his credit for disgrace;

Nor was I ever sprung from that race,  
 To call that my seed another hath sown;  
 Nor I'll never look King *Charles* in the face,  
 If I father a child that's none of my own.

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### *The Fire on London Bridge, &c.*

SOME Christian people all give ear,  
 Unto the grief of us,  
 Caus'd by the death of three children dear,  
 The which it hapned thus.

And eke there befell an accident,  
 By fault of a Carpenters Son,  
 Who to Saw chips his sharp Axe lent,  
 Woe worth the time may *Lon.*—

May *London* say, woe worth the Carpenter,  
 And all such block-head fools,  
 Would he were hang'd up like a Serpent here,  
 For jesting with edg-tools.

For into the chips there fell a spark,  
 Which put out in such flames,  
 That it was known into *Southwark*,  
 Which lives beyond the *Thames*.

For *Loe* the Bridge was wondrous *high*  
 With water underneath,  
 O'er which as many *fishes* fly,  
 As *birds* therein do breathe.

And yet the fire consum'd the Bridge,  
 Not far from place of landing,  
 And though the building was full big,  
 It fell down not with standing.

And eke into the water fell,  
 So many *Pewter* dishes,  
 That a man might have taken up very well,  
 Both *boyled* and *roasted* *Fishes*.

And thus the Bridge of *London* Town,  
 For building that was sumptuous,  
 Was *All* by fire *Half* burnt down,  
 For being too contemptuous.

And thus you have *all*, but *half* my song,  
 Pray list to what comes after;  
 For now I have *cool'd* you with the *Fire*,  
 I'll *warm* you with the *Water*.

I'll tell you what the *Rivers* name is,  
 Where these children did slide -a,  
 It was fair *Londons* swiftest *Thames*,  
 That keeps both time and *Tide-a*.



All on the tenth of *January*,  
 To the wonder of much People  
 'Twas frozen o'er that *well* 'twould bear,  
 Almost a Country Steeple.

Three children sliding thereabouts  
 Upon a place *too thin*,  
 That so at last it did *fall out*,  
 That they did all *fall in*.

A great Lord there was that laid with the King,  
 And with the King great wager makes :  
 But when he saw he could not win,  
 He sigh'd, and would have drawn stakes.

He said it would bear a man for to slide,  
 And laid a hundred pound ;  
 The King said it would break, and so it did,  
 For three children there were drown'd.

Of which ones head was from his *Should* —  
*Ers* stricken, whose name was *John*,  
 Who then cry'd out as loud as he could,  
*O Lon-a, Lon-a, London.*

*Oh ! tut -tut turn from thy sinful race,*  
 Thus did his speech decay :  
 I wonder that in such a case,  
 He had no more to say.

And

## Merry Drollerie,

And thus being drown'd, *alack, alack,*  
 The water ran down there throats,  
 And stopt their breaths three hours by the Clock,  
 Before they could get any Boats.

Ye Parents all that *children have,*  
 And ye that have none yet;  
 Preserve your children from the grave,  
 And teach them at home to sit.

For had these at a Sermon been,  
 Or else upon dry ground,  
 Why then I would never have been seen,  
 If that they had been *drown'd.*

Even as a Huntsman ties his dogs,  
 For fear they should go from him,  
 So tye your children with severities clogs,  
*Untye-'um and you'l undo'um.*

God blefs our Noble Parliament,  
 And rid them from all fears,  
 God blefs *all th' Commons* of this Land,  
 And God blefs *some o'th' Peers.*

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A Catch.

Come my *Daphne*, come away,  
We do waste the Chrystal day;  
'Tis *Strephon* calls: What would my Love?

Come follow to the Mirtle Grove,  
Where *Venus* shall Prepare  
New Chaplets for thy hair.

Were I shut up within a tree,  
I'd rent the bark to follow thee;  
My shepherd make haste,  
The Minutes fly too fast.

In those cooler shades will I,  
Blind as *Cupid*, kiss thine eye;  
On thy bosome there I'll stray,  
In that warm snow who would not lose their way;  
We'll laugh, and leave the World behind;

The Gods themselves that see,  
Shall envie thee and me

And never find such joys  
When they embrace a Deity.

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*The Beggar, a Catch.*

**C**AST your Caps and cares away,  
This is the Beggars holliday;  
At the crowning of our King  
Thus we dance, and thus we sing;  
Be it peace, or be it war,  
Here at liberty we are,  
And enjoy our peace and rest,  
To the Field we are not prest,  
Nor be raised in the Town  
To be troubled with a Gown.

In this world behold and see,  
Where's so happy a King as he?  
Where's the Nation lives so free,  
Or so merry as do we?

Hang up the Officers we cry,  
And your Masters we defie;  
When the Subsidy daies encreas'd  
We are not a penny seas'd;  
Nor will any go to law  
With the Beggar for a straw:  
All which happinefs, he brags  
He doth owe unto his rags.

*The*

## The Scotch War.

**W**hen first the Scottish War began (& Pike,  
 The English man, we did trapan, with pellit  
 The bonny blythe and cunning Scot (like;  
 Had then a plot, which they did not well smell, it's  
 Although he could neither write nor read,  
 Yet our General *Lashly* cross'd the *Tweed*  
 With his gay gangh, of Blew-caps all,  
 Along we marcht with our General:  
 We took *New-Castle* in a trice,  
 But we thought it had been paradise,  
 They did look, all so bonny and gay,  
 Till we took all, their Pillage away.

Then did we freight to plundering fall (day;  
 Of great & small, for we were all most Valiant that  
 And *Jinny* in a Satten Gown, the best in the Town;  
 From heel to Crown was gallant and gay;  
 Our silks and sweets made such a smother,  
 Next day we knew not one another:  
 For *Iockie* did never so shine,  
 And *Iinny* was never so fine;  
 A geud faith agat a ged Beaver then,  
 But it's beat into a blew-cap agen  
 By a Red-coat, that did still cry, Rag,  
 And a red snowt a the Deel aw the Crag.

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The English raised an Army-streight (well;  
 With mickle state, & we did wait to face them as  
 Then every valiant musquet-man put fire in pan,  
 And we began to lace them as well;  
 But before the sparks were made a Cole  
 They did every man pay for his Pole;  
 Then their bought land we lent them agen,  
 Into Scotland we went with our men;  
 We were paid by all, both Peasant and Prince,  
 But I think we have soundly paid for it since,  
 For our Silver is wasted, Sir, all,  
 And our Silks hang in Westminster Hall.

The godly Presbyterian, that holy man,  
 The war began with Bishop and King,  
 Where we like waiters at a Feast, (thing,  
 But not the least of all the guest, must dish up the  
 We did take a Covenant to pull down  
 The Cross, the Crosier, and the Crown,  
 With the Rochet the Bishop did bear,  
 And the Smock that his Chaplain did wear:  
 But now the Covenant's gone to wrack,  
 They say, it looks like an old Almanack,  
 For Iockie is grown out of date,  
 And Jenny is thrown out of late.

I must confess the holy firke did only work  
 Upon our Kirk for silver and meat,  
 Which made us come with aw our broods;  
 Venter

Venter our bloods for aw your goods, to pilfer and  
But we see what covetousness doth bring, (cheat;  
For we lost our selves when we sold our King;  
And alack now and welly we cry,  
Our backs mow and bellies must dye;  
We fought for food, and not vain-glory,  
And so there's an end of a Scottish mans story;  
I curse all your Silver and Gold,  
Aw the worst tale that ever was told.

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### *The Zealous Puritan.*

**M**Y Brethren all attend,  
And list to my relation:  
This is the day mark what I say,  
Tends to your renovation;  
Stay not among the Wicked,  
Lest that with them you perish,  
But let us to *New-England* go,  
And the Pagan People cherish;  
Then for the truths sake come along, come along,  
Leave this place of Superstition:  
Were it not for we, that the Brethren be,  
You would sink into Perdition.

There you may teach our hymns  
Without the Laws controulment:  
We need not fear the Bishops there,



Nor Spiritual-Courts inroulement ;  
 Nay, the Surplice shall not fright us,  
 Nor superstitious blindness ;  
 Nor scandals rise when we disguise,  
 And our Sisters kiss in kindness ;  
 Then for the truths sake, &c.

For Company I fear not,  
 There goes my Cofin Hannab ;  
 And Ruben, so perswades to go  
 My Cofin Foyce, Susanna,  
 With Abigal and Faith,  
 And Ruth, no doubt, comes after ;  
 And Sarah kind, will not stay behind ;  
 My Cofin Constance Daughter ;  
 Then for the truth, &c.

Now Tom Tyler is prepared,  
 And the Smith as black as a coal ;  
 Ralph Cobler too with us will go,  
 For he regards his soul ;  
 And the Weaver, honest Simon,  
 With Prudence, Jacobs Daughter,  
 And Sarah, she, and Barbary  
 Professeth to come after ;  
 Then for the truth, &c.

When we, that are elected,  
 Arrive in that fair Country,

Even

Even by our faith, as the Brethren saith,  
 We will not fear our entry ;  
 The Psalms shall be our Musick,  
 And our time spent in expounding,  
 Which in our zeal we will reveal,  
 To the brethrens joy abounding ;  
 Then for the truths sake, &c.

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### A merry Song.

Come let us drink, the time invites,  
 Winter and cold weather,  
 For to pass away long nights,  
 And to keep good Wits together ;  
 Better far than Cards or dice,  
 Or *Isaacs* ball, that quaint device,  
 Made up offan and feather:

Of great actions on the seas  
 We will ne'er be Jealous ;  
 Give us liquor that will please,  
 And 'twill make us braver fellows  
 Than the bold Venetian Fleet  
 When the Purks and they do meet  
 Within the Dardanellows.

Mahomet was no Divine,  
 But a senseless Widgeon,  
 To forbid the use of wine  
 Unto those of his religion :  
 Falling sickness was his shame,  
 And his throne will have the same  
 For all his whispering pigeon.

Sack is the Princes only guard,  
 If he dare but try it :  
 No designs were ever hard  
 Where the Subjects use to ply it ;  
 And three Constables, at most,  
 Are enough to quell an host  
 That so disturbs our quiet.

Vallenbryn, that famous Town,  
 Stands the French mans wonder,  
 Water it inclos'd to drown,  
 And to cut the Troops asunder ;  
 Turain cast a helpless look,  
 Whilst the crafty Spaniard took  
 La Ferse and his plunder.

Therefore water we disdain,  
 Mankinds adversary,  
 Once it made the Worlds whole frame  
 In the Deluge to miscarry :  
 Nay the enemy of joy,

Seeks with envy to destroy,  
And murder good Canary.

See the Squibs, and hear the Bells  
The fifth day of *November*,  
The Preacher a sad story tells,  
And with horror doth remember,  
How some dry-brain'd Traitor wrought  
Plots that might have ruine brought  
On King and every member.

We that drink have no such thoughts,  
Black and void of reason,  
We take care to fill our Vaults  
With good wine for every season:  
And with many a chearfull cup  
We blow one another up,  
And that's our only treason.

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*Philiday and Coridon.*

In the merry month of *May*,  
On a morn' by break of day,  
Forth I walk the wayes so wide,  
Whenas *May* was in her pride.

There I spide all alone,

*Philiday and Coridon.*

Much

Much ado there was I wot,  
 He could love, but she could not,  
 His love he said was ever true,  
 Nor was mine e're false to you.

He said he had lov'd her long,

She said love should do no wrong,

*Coridon* would kiss her then,

She said maids must kiss no men:

Till they kiss for good and all,

Then she made the shepherds call

All the Gods to witness south,

Ne'er was lov'd a fairer youth.

Then with many a pretty Oath,

As yea, and nay, and faith and troath,

Such as silly shepherds use

When they will not love abuse.

Love that had been long deluded,

Was with Kisses sweet concluded.

And *Phyllida* with Garlands gay

Was crown'd the Lady of the May.

### *On the Preface to Gondibert.*

**R**oom for the best Poets heroick,  
 If you'll believe two Wits and a Stoick;  
 Down go the *Iliads*, down go the *Eneid*,  
 All must give place to the *Gondibert*ador.

For to *Homer* and *Virgil* he has a just Pique,  
 Because one writ in Latin the other in Greek;  
 Besides an old grudge (our Criticks they say so)  
 With *Ovid*, because his Sirname was *Naso*:  
 If Fiction the fame of a Poet thus raises,  
 What Poets are you that have writ his praises;  
 But we justly quarrel at this our defeat,  
 You give us a stomach, he gives us no meat.  
 A Preface to no Book, a Porch to no house:  
 Here is the Mountain, but where is the Mouse;  
 But, Oh, *America* must breed up the Brat  
 From whence 'twill return a *West-Indy* Rat.  
 For *Will* to *Virginia* is gone from among us  
 With thirty two Slaves, to plant *Mundungus*.

### The Wedding.

I'LL tell thee *Dick* where I have been,  
 Where I the rarest things have seen,

O things beyond compare!

Such sights as these cannot be found

In any part of English ground,

Be it at Wake or Faire.

At *Charing-Cross*, hard by the way

Where we, thou know'st, did sell our hay,

There is a house with staires;

Where I did see them coming down  
Such folk as are not in the Town;  
Forty at least in paires.

One of them was pestilent fine,  
His beard no bigger though than mine,  
Walk'd on before the rest :  
Our Landlord look'd like nothing to him,  
The King, God blefs him, 'twould undo him  
Should he go still so dress'd.

At Course-a-park, without all doubt,  
He should have there been taken out  
By all the maids of the Town;  
Though lusty Roger there had been,  
Or little George upon the Green,  
Or Vincent of the Crown.

But wot you what, the youth was going  
To make an end of all his wooing,  
The Parson for him staid :  
But by your leave, for all your haste  
He did not wish so much all past,  
Perchance, as did the maid.

The maid, and thereby lies a tale,  
For such a maid no Whitson-Ale  
Could ever yet produce ;



No Grape, that's kindly ripe, can be  
So round, so plump, so soft as she,  
Nor half so full of juice.

Her fingers were so small, the ring  
Would not stay on which they did bring,

It was too wide a peck ;  
And to say truth, for out it must,  
It lookt like a great Collar just  
About our young colts neck.

Her feet beneath her Petticoat,  
Like little Mice, stole in and out,

As If they fear'd the light :  
But O she dances such a way,  
No Sun upon an Easter day  
Is half so fine a sight.

He would have kist her once or twice,  
But she would not, she was so nice

She would not do't in fight ;  
And then she lookt, as who would say,  
I will do what I list to day,  
And you shall do't at night,

Her cheeks so fair a white was on,  
As none darst make comparison,  
Who sees them is undon ;

For streaks of red were mingled there;  
 Such as are on a Catharine Pear  
 That side that's next the Sun.

Her mouth so small, when she doth speak,  
 Thou'lt swear her teeth her words do break

That they might passage get;  
 But O she handles so the matter,  
 They come as good as ours, or better,  
 And are not spoyl'd one whit.

Her lips so red, and one so thin,  
 Compar'd to that was next her chin.

Some Bee had stung it newly;  
 But Dick, her eyes so grac'd her face  
 I durst no more upon her Gaze  
 Than on the Sun in July.

If wishing had been any sin  
 The Parsons self had guilty been;  
 She look'd that day so purely;  
 And did the Youth so oft the feat  
 At night, as some did in conceit,  
 It would have spoyl'd him surely.

Passion, oh me how I run on,  
 There's that that would be thought upon,  
 I trow beside the Bride :

The business of the Kitchen great,  
For it is fit that men should eat,  
Nor was it there deny'd.

Just in the nick the Cook knockt thrice,  
And all the Waiters in a trice  
His summons did obey;  
Each serving-man with dish in hand  
March't boldly up like our Train-band,  
Presented, and away.

Now hats fly off and Youths carrouse,  
Healths first go round, and then the house,  
The Brides came thick and thick;  
And when 'twas nam'd another health,  
Perhaps he made it hers by stealth,  
And who could help it Dick!

O'th' sudden, up they rise and dance,  
Then sit again, and sigh and glance,  
Then dance again and kiss;  
Thus several waies the time did pass,  
While every woman wish'd her Place,  
And every man wish'd his.

By this time all were stollen aside  
To counsell and undress the Bride,  
But that he must not know;

But

But it was thought he guess'd her mind,  
And did not mean to stay behind  
Above an hour or so.

When in he came, Dick, there she lay,  
Like new-faln snow, melting away,

'Twas time, I trow, to part ;  
Kisses were now the only stay,  
Which soon she gave, as who would say,  
God b'wy with all my heart.

But just as heavens would have, to Cross it,  
In came the Bridemaids with the posset,  
The Bridegroom eate in spight:  
Or had he lett the women to't,  
It would have cost two hours to do't,  
Which were too much that night.

At length the Candle's out, and now  
All that they had not done they do,  
What that is, who can tell?  
But I believe it was no more.  
Than thou and I have done before  
With Bridget and with Nel.

## A Song.

**H**ow happy is the prisoner who conquers his fate  
 With silence, & ne'er on bad fortune complains,  
 But carelessly plaies with his keyes on the grate,  
 And makes a sweet confort with them & his chains;  
 He drowns care with Sack, when his heart is oppress'd,  
 And makes his heart float like a Cork in his brest.

*Chor.* Then since we are all slaves who Islanders be,  
 And our land is a large Prison enclos'd with the sea,  
 We'll drink off the Ocean, and set our selves free,  
 For man is the Worlds Epitomie.

Let tyrants wear Purple, deep dy'd in the blood  
 Of those they have slain, their Scepter to sway;  
 If our consciences be clear, and our titles be good  
 To the rags that hang on us, we are richer than they;  
 We drink up at night what we can beg or can borrow,  
 And sleep without plotting for more the next mor-  
 (row

Come Drawer, fill each man a pint of Canary,  
 This brimmer shall bid all our sences good night;  
 When old *Aristotle* was frolick and merry,  
 With the Juyce of the Grape he turn'd stagarite;  
*Copernicus* once in a drunken fit found (round.  
 By the course of his brains that the world went  
 'Tis

'Tis Sack makes our faces like Comets to shine,  
 And gives us a beauty beyond complexions masque;  
*Diogenes* fell so in love with his wine  
 That when 'twas all out he dwelt in the Cask:  
 He liv'd by the scent in that close wainscoat room,  
 And dying, requested the tub for his Tombe.

Though the Usurer watch o'er his bags and his house,  
 To keep that from robbers he rackt from his debtors;  
 Each midnight cries thieves at the noise of a mouse,  
 Then looks if his bags are fast bound in their fetters;  
 When once he's grown rich enough for a state-plot,  
 In one hour Buff plunders what threescore years got.

Let him never so privately muster his gold,  
 His Angels will there intelligence be  
 How close they are prest in their Canvas hold,  
 And long that state souldiers should set them all free;  
 Let him pine and be hang'd we will merrily sing,  
 Who hath nothing to lose, may cry, God blest the  
 (King.

*Chor.* Then since we are all slaves who Islanders be,  
 And our land a large prison enclos'd with the sea;  
 We'll drink off the Ocean, and set our selves free,  
 For man is the worlds Epitomie.

*The Devil transformed.*

**I** Met with the divel in the shape of a Ram,  
I then over and over the sow gelders ran;  
I rose, and I haltred him fast by the horns,  
I stabb'd him softly, as you would pick out corns,  
Nay, quoth the divel, with that out he slunk,  
And left us the Carkass of a Mutton that stunk.

I chanc'd to ride forth some mile and a half,  
Where I heard he did live in disguise of a Calf;  
I bound him, and I gelt him ere he did any evill,  
For he was at his best but a young sucking divel;  
Meaw yet he cry'd, and forth he did steal,  
And this was sold after for excellent veal.

Some half a year after, in the shape of a Pig,  
I met with the rogue, and he look'd very big,  
I caught him by the leg, laid him down on a log,  
Ere a man told forty twice I made him a hog;  
Oh, quoth the divel, and gave such a yerk,  
That a Jew was converted and did eat of the Porke.

In womans attire I met him most fine,  
At first sight I thought him some Angel divine:  
But viewing his crab-face I fell to my trade,  
I made him forswear ever acting a maide;

Meaw



Meaw, quoth the divel, and so ran away,  
And hid him in a Fryers old weed, as they say.

I walked along, and it was my good chance  
To meet with a Grey-coat that was in a trance,  
I grip'd him then speedily, and I whipt off his Cods,  
'Twixt his head and his breech I left little odds;  
O quoth the divel, the hurt thou hast done  
Thou still wilt be curst for by many a man.

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### *Miseries of humane Life.*

**T**HE World's a bubble, and the life of man  
Less than a span;  
In his conception wretched from his wombe,  
So to his tombe;  
Curst from the Cradle, and brought up to years  
With care and fears;  
Who then to frail mortality shall trust,  
Limns but in water, or but writes in dust.

Now since with sorrow man lives here oppress'd,  
What life is best?  
Courts are but only superficial Schools  
To dandle fools;  
The rural parts are turn'd into a den  
Of savage men;  
And where's a City from all vice so free,  
But may be term'd the worst of all the three.

*Domestick*

## Complete.

III

Domestick cares afflict the husbands bed,  
Or pains his head;  
Those that live single take it for a curse,  
Or do things worse; (moan,  
Some would have Children, those that have them  
Or wish them gone;  
What is it then to have, or have no wife,  
But single thralldome, or a double strife.  
Our own affection still at home to please  
Is a disease;  
To cross the seas to any forraign soyl  
Is dangerous toyl;  
Wars with their noise affright us, when they cease  
We are worse in peace;  
What then remains, but that we still should cry,  
Not to be born, or being born to dye.

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## *A Cambridge Droll.*

THE Proctors are two and no more,  
Then hang them that makes them three:  
The Taverns are but foure,  
I wish they were more for me,  
*Chor.* For three merry boyes, and three merry boyes,  
And three merry boyes are we.

We'll

We'll make, if our numbers mix,  
The Muses triple trine,  
For two and four make six,  
As all men do divine;  
For two three and four makes nine.

The Myter no more shall sink,  
Though Pym himself were there,  
For that were Popery to think  
That Puritans dare come there,  
For catholick Sack is there.

The Dolphins were numbered never,  
As all men plainly see  
For I am sure for ever  
The Dolphin shall swim free;  
And that's enough for me.

The three tuns are forgot  
When few do go to see;  
But there's a tun behind  
For him, for thee, and for me,  
To make us frolick and free.

But if the Doctors droop  
In whom our number dies,  
As the Arches put us in hope  
They are not like to rise,  
And wine shall make us wise.

The wise men they were seven,  
 I wish they were more for me;  
 The Muses they were nine,  
 The Worthies three times three,  
 And three merry boyes, and three merry boyes,  
 And three merry boyes are we.

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*Resolved not to part.*

*Man.* **M**Y Mistris, whom in heart I loved long,  
 Her unkind words, alas, have done me  
 Loe where she comes, I mean her love to try: (wrong  
 Oh stay a while and hear her kind reply.

My faithful friend, whom I esteem'd so deer,  
 Rejected is, and gone I know not where;  
 Forlorn I live, away all joyes are fled,  
 I lost my Love, alas, my heart is dead.

I will go sail into some Forraign Land,  
 To *France* or *Flanders* I'll go out of hand:  
 When I come there, to strangers I'll complain,  
 And say, my Love hath me unkindly slain.

*Wo.* If into *France* or *Flanders* you do go,  
 I'll not stay here, but follow thee also;  
 If false report abroad there thou dost tell,  
 I'll check thee for't, and say, thou didst not well.

H

*Ma.*

*Ma.* Else to the Wildernesse full fast I'll high,  
 Among wild beasts there I mean to dye,  
 Where Wolves, and Bears and other Creatures,  
 The Elephant and Unicorn with their odd features.

*Wo.* O stay at home, sweet heart, and go not there,  
 For those wild beasts will thee in pieces tear;  
 If that I should behold them suck thy blood (good,  
 Thou shouldst have mine, sweet heart, to do thee

*Ma.* I would I were all in the raging seas,  
 Or in some Bark to go even where it please,  
 Where comfort none, alas, is to be found,  
 And every hour in danger to be drown'd.

*Ma.* I would I were all in the lofty skies,  
 So far from ground as any Eagle flies,  
 For to fall down to ease me of my pain,  
 That I might die, but die to live again.

*Wo.* If in the lofty sky thou should'st remain,  
 I'd soar so high, thy love for to obtain:  
 And like the Eagle keep thee from all harms,  
 That thou shouldst fall in no place but mine arms.

*Ma.* Thus many wishes have I wisht in vain,  
 But none of these can ease me of my pain;  
 This marshall ponyard that shall end all grief,  
 Shall ease my heart that findeth no relief.

*Wo.* O stay at home, good heart, let it not die,  
Thy life I love, thy death I do defie :  
Come live in love, and so thou'lt banish pain,  
Take a good heart, and I will love again.

*Ma.* Go lusty lads, go you the Musick fetch,  
Your nimble legs and joynts you shall out-stretch ;  
While others dance and caper in the streets,  
We'll dance at home the shaking of the sheets.

### *The Power of Money.*

**T**IS not the silver nor Gold for it self,  
That makes men adore it, but 'tis for its power:  
For no man does doat upon pelf because pelf,  
But all Court the Lady in hope of her dower :  
The wonders that now in our daies we behold,  
Done by the irresistible power of gold,  
Our Zeal, and our Love, and Allegiance do hold.

(Crowns ;

This purchaseth Kingdoms, Kings, Scepters, and  
Wins battels, and conquers the Conquerors bold ;  
Takes Bulwarks, and Castles, and Cities, & Towns,  
And our prime Laws are writ in letters of Gold ;  
'Tis this that our Parliament calls and creates,  
Turns Kings into keepers, and Kingdoms to States,  
And peopledoms these into highdomes translates.



This made our black Synod to sit still so long;  
 To make themselves rich, by making us poor;  
 This made our bold Army, so daring and strong,  
 And made them turn them, like Geese out of door;  
 'Twas this made our Covenant-makers to make it,  
 And this made our Priests for to make us to take it,  
 And this made both Makers and Takers forsake it.

(tees and 'Strators,

'Twas this spawn'd the dunghil Crew of Commit-  
 Who live by picking the crockadile Parliaments gums  
 This first made, & then prospered rebels & traitors,  
 And made gentry of those that were the nations  
 This herald gives arms not for merit, but store (scums  
 And gives coats to those that did sell coats before,  
 If their pockets be but lin'd well with argent & ore.

This, plots can devise, and discover what they are;  
 This, makes the great Fellons the lesser condemn;  
 This, sets those one the Bench, that should stand at  
 (the Bar,

Who judge such, as by right ought to execute them;  
 Gives the boysterous Clown his unsufferable pride,  
 Makes beggars, and fools, and Usurpers to ride,  
 Whiles ruin'd Propriators run by their side.

Stamp either the Arms of the — or the —  
 St. George or the Breeches, — or O. P.

The Cross or the Fiddle, 'tis all the same thing;  
 This, still is the Queen whosoe'er the King be;

This,



This, lines our Religion, builds Doctrine and Truth,  
With zeale and the Spirit the factious endueth,  
To club with Saint *Catharine*, or sweet sister *Ruth*.

(plead

'Tis money makes Lawyers give judgement, or  
On this side, or that side, on both sides or neither;  
This makes young men Clerks that can scarce write

(or read,

And spawns arbitrary orders as various as the

(weather;

This makes your blew Lectures pray preach & prate,  
Without reason or sence against Church, King, or

(State,

To shrew the thin lining of his twice-covered pate.

(Esquires

'Tis money makes Earls, Lords, Knights, and  
Without breeding, descent, wit, learning or merit;

This makes ropers, & ale-drapers, Sheriffs of shires,  
Whose trade is not so low, nor so base as their spirit;

This Justices makes, and no wise one we know,

Furr'd Aldermen too, and Maiors also; (go.

This makes the old wife trot, and makes the mare to

This makes your blew aprons right worshipfull;

And for this we stand bare, and before them do fall;

They leave their young heirs well fleec'd with wooll

Whom we must call Squires, and they pay all;

Who with beggarly souls, though their bodies be

(gawdy,

Court,

Court the pale chamber-maid, and nick-name her a  
(Lady,

And for want of good wit they do swear and talk  
(bawdy,

This, marriages makes, 'tis the Center of love,  
It draws on the man, and it pricks up the woman,  
Birth, Virtue, and parts no affection can move,  
Whilst this makes a Lord stoop to the Brat of a  
Broom man;

This gives virtue and beauty to the Lasses that you  
Makes women of all sorts and ages to do; (wooe,  
'Tis the soul of the world, and the worldling too.

This procures us whores, hawks, hounds, and hares;  
'Tis this keeps your groom, and your groom keeps  
(your gelding;

This built Citizens wives as well as their wares:  
And this makes your coy Lady so coming & yielding;  
This buys us good Sack, which revives like the  
'Tis this your Poetical fancies do bring; (spring;  
And this makes you as merry as we that do sing.

### *On Gondibert.*

#### I

**A**fter so many sad mishaps,  
Of drinking, riming, and of claps,  
I pitty most thy last relaps.

That

2.

That having past the souldiers pains,  
The States-mens Arts, the sea-mens gains,  
With *Gondibert*, to break thy brains.

3.

And so incessantly to ply it,  
To sacrifice thy sleep, thy diet,  
Thy business ; and what's more our quiet.

4.

And all this stir to make a story,  
Not much superiour to *John Dory*,  
Which thus in brief I lay before ye.

5.

All in the land of *Lombardie*,  
A Wight there was of Knights degree,  
Sir *Gondibert* ycleap'd was he.

6.

This *Gondibert* (as saies our Author)  
Got the good will of the Kings daughter,  
A shame, it seems, the diuel ought her.

7.

So thus succeeded his Disaster,  
Being sure of the Daughter of his Master,  
He chang'd his Princes for a Playster.

8.

Of person he was not ungracious,  
Grave in debate, in Fight audacious ;  
But in his Ale most pervicacious.

9

And this was cause of his sad Fate,  
For in a Drunken-street Debate  
One night he got a broken Pate.

10.

Then being cur'd, he would not tarry,  
But needs this simpling girl would marry  
Of *Astragon* the Apothecary.

11.

To make the thing yet more Romancie,  
Both wise and rich you may him fancie;  
Yet he in both came short of *Plancy*.

12.

And for the Damsel, he did wooe so,  
To say the truth she was but so-so,  
Not much unlike her of *Toboso*.

13

Her beauty, though 'twas not exceeding,  
Yet what in Face and shape was needing,  
She made it up in Parts and Breeding.

14.

Though all the Science she was rich in  
Both of the Dairy and the Kitchen;  
Yet she had knowledge more bewitching.

15.

For she had learn'd her Fathers skill,  
Both of the Alimbick and the Still,  
The Purge, the Potion, and the Pill.

But

16

But her Chief Talent was a Glisten,  
And such a hand to administer,  
As on the Breech hath made no blister,

17.

So well she handled *Gondibert*,  
That though she did not hurt that part,  
She made a blister on his heart.

18.

Into the Garden of her Father :  
Garden, said I ; or Back-side rather,  
One night she went a Rose to gather.

19

The Knight he was not far behind,  
Full soon he had her in the wind ;  
(For Love can smell, though he be blind.)

20.

Her business she had finish'd scarcely,  
When on a gentle bed of parsley  
Full fair and soft he made her Arse-ly. { *Desunt*  
*Cætera.*

### Canary Crowned.

Come let's purge our brains from hops & grains  
That do smell of Anarchy ;  
Let's chuse a King from whose veins may spring  
A sparkling Progeny ;

It

It ill befits true wine-bred wits,  
Whose flames are bright and clear,  
To bind their hands in dray-mens bands,  
When they might be clear;  
Why should we droop or basely stoop  
To popular Ale or Beer?

Who shall be King is now the thing  
For which we all are met:  
Clarret is a Prince that hath been long since  
In the royal number set:  
His face is spread with warlike red,  
And so he loves to see men;  
If he bears sway, his Subjects they  
Shall be as good as freemen;  
Yet here's the plot, almost forgot,  
He is too much burnt by women.

By the river Rhine is a valiant wine  
That can all our veins replenish,  
Let us then consent to the goverment  
Of the royal rule of Rhennish?  
This German wine will warm the Chine,  
And frisk in every vein;  
'Twill make the bride forget to chide,  
And call him to't again:  
Yet that's not all, he is much too small  
To be our Sovereign.

Why then let's think of another drink,  
And with votes advance it high :  
Let's all proclaim good Canaries name,  
Heavens blefs his Majesty ;  
Let's a King in every thing,  
Whose nature doth renounce all ill :  
He can make us skip, and nimbly trip  
From the sealing to the groundfil,  
Especially, when Poets be  
Lords of the Privy Council.

But a Vintner he shall his Taster be,  
There's no man shall him let ;  
And a Drawer, that have a good pallat  
Shall be made Squire of the Gimlet ;  
The Bar-boyses shall be pages all,  
A Tavern well prepar'd,  
In jovial fort shall be the Court  
Where nothing shall be spar'd ;  
Wine-Porters shall with shoulders tall  
Be Yeomen of the Guard.

If a Cooper we with a red-nose see  
In any part of the Town,  
That Cooper shall, with Adds royal,  
Be Keeper of the Crown ;  
Young Wits that wash away their Cash  
In Wine and Recreation,

Who



Who hate dull Beer are welcome here  
 To give their approbation :  
 So are all you that will allow  
 Canaries Coronation.

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*Contentment.*

**W**Hat though the ill times do run cross to our  
 And fortune still frown upon us, (will  
 Our hearts are our own, and shall be so still,  
 A fig for the plagues they lay on us ;  
 Let us take t'other Cup to chear our hearts up,  
 And let it be Purest Canary ;  
 We'll ne'er shrink nor care at the Crosses we bear,  
 Let them plague us untill they be weary.

What though we are made both beggars & slaves,  
 Let's endure it, and stoutly drink on't,  
 'Tis our comfort we suffer cause we won't be knaves,  
 Redemption will come ere we think on't ;  
 We must flatter and fear those that over us are,  
 And make them believe that we love them,  
 When their tyranny is past, we can serve them at last,  
 As they have served those have been above them.

Let the Levites go preach for the Goose or the Pig,  
 To drink Wine at Christmas or Easter :  
 The doctor may labour our lives to new trig,

And

and make Nature fast while we feast her ;  
 the Lawyer may bawl out his Lungs and his Gall  
 for Plaintiff, and for the Defendant,  
 at his Book the Scholar lie, while with *Plato* he die  
 with an ugly hard word at the end on't.

Then here's to the man that delights in *sol fa*,  
 for Sack is his only Rozin,  
 a load of hey ho is not worth a ha-ha,  
 he's a man for my money that draws in ;  
 then a pin for the muck, and a pin for ill luck,  
 'tis better be blithe and frolick,  
 than sigh out our breath, and invite our own death  
 by the Gout, or the Stone, or the Collick.

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### *The Power of the Sword.*

AY by your pleading, Law lies a bleeding,  
 Burn all your Studies down, & throw away your  
 small power the Word has, & can afford us (reading ;  
 not halfe so many Priviledges as the Sword has :  
 it fosters your masters, it plaisters disasters,  
 and makes your servants, quickly greater than their  
 venters, it enters, it circles, it centers, (Masters ;  
 and makes a Prentice free in spight of his Indentures.

This takes off tall things, and sets up small things,  
 this masters Money, though Money masters all  
 (things;  
 'Tis

'Tis not in season to talk of Reason,  
 Or call it legal, when the Sword will have it treason  
 It conquers the Crown too, the Furs & the Gown too  
 This set up a Presbyter, and this pull'd him down too  
 This subtil Deceiver turn'd Bonnet to Beaver,  
 Down drops a Bishop, and up starts a Weaver.

This fits a lay-man to preach and to pray man,  
 'Tis this can make a Lord of him that was a dray  
 Forth from the dull pit of Follies full pit; (man  
 This brought an Hebrew Ironmonger to the Pulpit  
 Such pittiful things be more happier then Kings be  
 This got the Herauldry of Thimblebee & Slingsbee  
 No Gospel can guide it, no Law can decide it,  
 In Church or State untill the Sword hath sanctified it

Down goes the Law-tricks, for from that Matrix  
 Sprung holy *Hensons* power, and tumbled down  
 The sword prevails so highly in *Wales* too, (*Patrick*  
*Shinkin ap Powel* cries, and swears Cuts-plutter-nails  
 In *Scotland* this Waster did make such disaster, (too  
 They sent their money back for which they sold their  
 Master  
 It batter'd so their *Dunkirk*, and did so the *Don* firke  
 That he is fled, and swears, the devil is in *Dunkirk*

He that can tower o'er him that is lower,  
 Would be but thought a fool to put away his power

Take books and rent 'um, who would invent 'um,  
 When as the Sword replies, *negatit argumentum?*  
 Your grand Colledge Butlers must stoop to your  
 There's not a Library living like the cutlers; (sutlers,  
 The bloud that is spilt, sir, hath gain'd all the guilt, sir,  
 Thus have you seen me run the Sword up to the  
 (hilts Sir.

### A Medly of Nations.

#### The Scots.

I Am a bonny Scot, Sir, my name is mickle John,  
 'Twas I was in the Plot, Sir, when first the war  
 (began :  
 left the Court one thousand six hundred forty one,  
 but since the flight at *Woster*-fight we all are undone;  
 serv'd my Lord & Master, when as he lig'd at home,  
 Our Cause did shrink, Gods bread, I think

The Deel's got in his room :

He no man fears, but stamps and stares

Through all Christendom.

I have travell'd mickle ground

Since I came from *Worcester* Pound,

I have gang'd a gallant round

Through all our neighbouring Nations,

and what their opinions are

unto you I shall declare,

Of the Scotch and English War,

And their approbations;

We were beaten Tag and Rag,

Foot and Leg, Wem and Crag;

Hark, I hear the Dutchmen brag,

And begin to bluffer.

### *The Dutch.*

**G**ods Sacrament; shall *Hogen mogen* States  
Strike down their Topsailes unto puny powers  
Ten hundred tun of divels damn the fates

If all their ships and goods do not prove ours;

Since that bloody wounds delight them,

Tantara rara let the Trumpet found,

Let *Vantrump* go out and fight them,

Eldest states should first be crown'd

English *Schellums* fight not on Gods side.

But alas, they have given our Flemish Boats such

That we shall be forced to retreat; (broad-side)

See the French-man cometh in compleat.

### *The French.*

**B**egar *Monsieur* 'Tis much in vain

For *Dutchland*, *France*, or *Spain*

To cross the *English* Nation;

They are now grown so strong,

The divel ere it be long

Must learn the English Tongue;  
 'Tis better that we should combine,  
 And sell them wine,  
 And learn of them to make a Lady fine;  
 We'll learn of them to trip and mince,  
 To kick and wince.

For by the Sword we never shall convince,  
 Since every Brewer there can beat a Prince.

### *The Spaniard.*

What are the English so quarrelsome grown,  
 That they cannot of late let their Neigh-  
 And shall a great and a Catholick King (bours alone?  
 Let his Scepter be controul'd by a Sword or a Sling?

Or, shall *Austria* endure  
 Such affronts for to be?  
 No, we'll tumble down their power,  
 As you shall *Senior* see.

### *The Welch.*

*Taffie* was once a Cod-a-mighty of *Wales*,  
 But her Cofin *O.P.* was a Creature,  
 Come into her Country, Cods-splutter-anails,  
 Her take her welch-hook and her beat her;  
 Her eat up her Sheefe, Turkey and Geese,  
 Her Pig and her Capon did die for't,

Ap Robert, ap Evan, ap Morgan, ap Stephen,  
But *Shinkin* and *Powel* did flie for't.

### *The Irish.*

O Hone, O hone, poor *Irish Shon*  
Must howl and cry :  
Saint *Patrick* help thy Country-man,  
Or faith and troth we dye ;  
The English still doth us pursue,  
And we are forc'd to flee :  
Saint *Patrick*, help we have no Saint but thee,  
Let's cry no longer, O hone, a Cram a Cree.

### *The English.*

A Crown, a Crown, make room.  
The English man doth come,  
Whose Valour is taller than all *Christendom* ;  
The *Spanish*, *French*, and *Dutch*, *Scots*, *Welch* and  
(*Irish* grutch,  
We fear not, we care not, for we can deal with such;  
When you did begin in a Civil War to waste,  
Ye thought that our Tillage your Pillage should be  
(at last ;  
And when that we could not agree, you did think  
(to share our fall,  
But ye do find it worse, ne'er stir, for we shall noose  
ye all.



*A quarrel betwixt Tower-Hill and  
Tyburne.*

**I**LL tell you a Story that never was told,  
A tale that hath both head and heel,  
And though by no Recorder inroll'd,  
I know you will find it as true as steel.

When General *Monck* was come to the Town,  
A little time after the Rump had the rout,  
When Royalty rose, and Rebellion fell down,  
They say, that Tower-hill and Tyburn fell out.

Quoth terrible Tyburn to lofty tower-hill,  
Thy longed-for days are come at last,  
And now thou wilt dayly thy belly fulfill  
With King-killers bloud whilst I must fast.

The High Court of Justice will come to the Bar:  
There to be cooked and dressed for thee,  
Whilst I, that live out of Town so far,  
Must only be fed by Fellony.

If Treason be counted the foulest act,  
And a dying be a Traitors due,  
Then why should you all the glory exact?  
You know, they are fitter for me than you.

He plaies, he toyes, he fain would do,  
But often times he misses;  
He gives her Rings and such fine things  
A Fan and Muff and Night-hood:  
But if you cheat a City pate,  
You must bait your hook with Knight-hood.

There is no Angler like a Wench  
Stark-naked in the water,  
She'l make you leave both Trout and Tench  
And throw your self in after;  
Your Hook and Line she will confine,  
Then tangled is the intangler,  
And this I fear hath spoyl'd the ware  
Of many a Jovial Angler.

But if you'l Trowl for a *Scriv'ners* soul  
Cast in a rich young Gallant,  
To take a *Courtier* by the pole,  
Though in a Golden Tallent:  
But yet I fear the draught will ne'er  
Compound for half the charge an't,  
But if you'l catch the Devil at a snatch  
You must bait him with a *Sergeant*.

Thus have I made my Anglers Trade  
To stand above defiance,  
For like the Mathematick Art,  
It runs through every Science:

If with my Angling Song I can  
 To Mirth and pleasure seize you,  
 I'll bait my hook with Wit again,  
 And Angle still to please you.

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*Of the two Amorous Swains.*

**T**OM and *Will* were Shepherds Swains  
 Who lov'd and lived together,  
 Till fair *Pastora* grac'd the Plains,  
 Alas ! why came she thither :  
*Tom* and *Will* fed several Flocks,  
 Yet felt both one desire ;  
*Pastora's* Eyes and comely Locks  
 Set both their hearts on fire.

*Tom* came of a gentle race  
 By Father and by Mother,  
*Will* was noble, but alas  
 He was a younger Brother !  
*Tom* was toy-some, *Will* was sad,  
 No Hunts-man nor no Fowler,  
*Tom* was held the properer Lad,  
 But *Will* the better Bowler.

*Tom* would drink her health and swear  
 The Nation could not want her,  
*Will* would take her by the Eare  
 And with his Voice enchant her :

*Tom* kept alwaies in her sight  
And ne'er forgot his duty,  
*Will* was witty and would write  
Sweet Sonnets on her Beauty.

Yet which of them she loved best,  
Or whether she lov'd either;  
'Twas thought they found it to their cost  
That she indeed lov'd neither :  
Yet she was so sweet a she  
So pleasing in behaviour,  
That *Tom* thought he, and *Will* thought he  
Was chiefest in her favour.

*Pastora* was a lovely Lass  
And of a comely feature,  
Divinely good and fair she was,  
And kind to every Creature :  
Of favour she was provident:  
And yet not over-sparing,  
She gave no loose encouragment,  
Yet kept men from despairing.

When tatling fame had made report  
Of fair *Pastora's* beauty,  
*Pastora's* sent for to the Court,  
For to perform her duty ;  
And to the Court *Pastora's* gone,  
It were no Court without her,

The Queen of all her Train had none  
Was half so fair about her.

Tom hung his Dog, and flung away  
His Sheep hook, and his Waller ;  
Will broke his Pipes, and Curst the day  
That ere he made a Ballet ;  
Their Nine-pins and their bowls they brake,  
Their Tunes were turn'd to Tears ;  
'Tis time for me an end to make,  
Let them go shake their Ears.

*Sweet rest in the Grave.*

**W**ake all you dead what Ho what Ho (low ;  
How soundly they sleep whose Pillows lie  
They mind not your lovers who walk above  
On the decks of the world in storms of Love,  
No whisper now, no Glance can pass  
Through wicks or through panes of Glass,  
For our Windows and Doores are shut and Barr'd  
Lie close in the Church and in the Church yard,  
In every grave, make room, make room,  
Theworld's at an end, and we come, we come.  
The State is now, Loves foe, Loves foe,  
Has seiz'd on his Arms, his Quiver and Bowe,  
Has pinion'd his Wings, and fetter'd his feet,  
Because he made way for Lovers to meet ;

But oh sad chance, his Judge was old ; -  
 Hearts cruel grow, when blood grows cold  
 No man being young, his Process would draw,  
 Oh Heavens that Love should be subject to Law,  
 Lovers go wooe the dead the dead !  
 Lie two in a grave, and to bed, to bed.

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*The Production of the Female  
 Kind.*

**T**Here is a certain idle kind of Creature,  
 By a foolish name, we call a woman ;  
 A pox upon this little old whore Nature ;  
 That e're she brought this Monster to undo man ;  
 Many have wondred how it came to pass,  
 But mark, and I will tell you how it was :

When first she brought forth man, her son and heir,  
 The Gods came all one day to gossip with her,  
 Her husband, *Jenns*, proud to see them there,  
 Drank healths apace to bid them welcome thither,  
 Till drunk to bed he went, and in the fit  
 He got the second child, this female Chit.

The Privy Council of the Heavens and Planets,  
 Whose wisdom governs all Affairs on Earth,  
 Held many consultations in their Senates  
 What should become of this prodigious Birth,

At length agreed to give these strange formallities  
As many strange and correspondent quallities.

*Saturn*, gave sullenness ; *Jove*, sovereignty ;  
*Mars*, sudden wrath, and unappeased hate ;  
*Sol*, a garish look, and a wanton eye ;  
*Venus*, desires and Lusts insatieties ;  
*Mercury*, craft, and deep dissembling gave her ;  
*Luna*, inconstant thoughts, still apt to waver.

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### The Bow-Goose.

**T**He best of Poets write of Frogs,  
Some of *Ulysses* charmed Hogs,  
And some of Flies, and some of Dogs  
In former Ages told :  
Some of the silver Swan in Prose,  
Though mine be not a Swan, what though ?  
It was a Goose was brought from *Bow*  
To *Algate*.

As harmless, and as innocent  
She was as those that with her went ;  
Nor do I think the watchmen meant  
More fillier than She ;  
She gave them never a word at all,  
But only rested on a stall,  
And yet these Cannibals did fall.  
About her.

But



But she with silence there stood still,  
 Till he perceived each mans bill,  
 Desiring them not use them ill  
 That lookt so like them all:  
 Then they disdainig, did begin  
 To bring us all into a gin,  
 And then the Constable came in,  
 And took us.

To him they straight reveal'd the case,  
 And vow'd each man to quit his place,  
 If we were suffered to disgrace  
 The Kings Lievtenant so:  
 And then the Ganders eminence  
 The Goose and us commanded thence,  
 And made us graduates commenee  
 The Counter.

We thither went, but then my Goose,  
 Which pinion'd was before, got loose,  
 For having her within a noose  
 What fear had they of her?  
 Then into every room we went,  
 And here and there our money spent  
 Untill the Constable had sent  
 Next morning.

We summoned were for to appear  
 Before an Alderman, I swear,

That

That might have been that very year  
Lord Maior for his wit :  
He tooke our Gooses case in hand,  
And all things with such Judgement scan'd,  
That having done, we scarce could stand  
For laughing.

For he did not only reprehend  
Our follies, but did much commend  
The Constable, his honest friend,  
For his good service done ;  
How is that noble City blest  
With Officers above the rest,  
That now may add unto their Crest  
My Bow Goose ?

But now, with grief, I'll tell you what,  
My Goose that was before so fat,  
That might have been accepted at  
A Maior or Sheriffs own boord,  
Grew lanck and lean, and straight so ill,  
That from her wings she shed a Quill,  
Desiring me to write her Will,  
Which I did.

Then thus my dying Goose began,  
Unto the Reverend Alderman  
I do bequeath my brain-sick pan,  
And all that it contains :

And

And Master Constable, to you  
My empty head, which is your due ;  
My Bill I'll give the cursed crue  
Your Watchmen.

I do bequeath my bodies trunk  
Unto Good Fellows for the Rump,  
Desiring that it may be drunk  
In Clarret and Canary :  
I pray discharge your company  
All such as shall Recusants be  
To drink a health in memory  
O'th' Bow-Goose.

My Giblets to the City Cook  
That dwels not far from Pasty-nook,  
That he unto my Corps may look,  
And coffin't in a Crust ;  
My guts for Marshal red-face save,  
To hang about his neck so brave,  
That on his Palfrey the proud Knave  
May swagger.

And to my fellow prisoners all,  
That now here are, or ever shall,  
That come to lye within this wall,  
I give my heavy heart ;  
My claws and pinions I do give  
Unto the Serjeants and Sheriff,

To catch and pinion them that live  
Indebted.

And furthermore, it is my will  
The City Clerk shall have a quill  
Such learned speeches to write still,  
As his grave Lordship utters;  
And likewise Mistris Alderman  
Shall have my tail to make a Fan;  
My Legs I'll give the Gentleman  
Her Usher.

Because my kindred of *Bridewel*  
Such asses to the Cart compel  
As occupy their Trades so well,  
I do forbid them all,  
That they presume not for to come  
Whereas my Dirges shall be sung,  
For I'll have wiser in the room  
Than they are.

The Beadle and the Bell-man I  
Executors do make, thereby  
Such legacies to satisfy  
As I have here related;  
And that all things perform'd may be,  
This my last Will to oversee  
I do ordain the Deputy  
Of Duck-lane

There's

There's one thing more I do conceive,  
Almost forgot, I do bequeath  
My Tongue, which tatling cannot leave,  
Unto the City Council,  
That they may mediate a truce  
Between the City and me their Goose,  
Who wooes to be their constant Muse  
For ever.

Write on my Tombe this Epitaph,  
Whereat, I pray, let no man laugh:  
Here lies a Goose that could not quaff,  
And yet was a good Fellow;  
The coursest of our kindred must  
Return with me unto the dust,  
And after me who shall be first  
None knoweth.

Now let them in their Liveries call  
The boys from every Hospitall  
To sing my solemn funeral  
With Dirges to my grave;  
And when my Goose had uttered this  
O then my Goose began to piss,  
And sighing, with a harmelesse hiss,  
Departed.

## News.

**W**Hite Bears are lately come to Town,  
That's no news;  
And Cuckolds Dogs shall pull them down,  
That's no news;  
Ten Dozen of Capons sold for a Crown,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

A Jackanapes at a Merchants door,  
That's no news;  
An Irish man in an Ale-house score,  
That's no news;  
And *Gravesend* Barge without a Whore,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

A fizling Cur in a Ladies lap,  
That's no news;  
A Feather to shake in a Fools cap,  
That's no news;  
A Lyon caught in a Mouse Trap,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

A younger Brother slow to thrive,  
That's no news;  
A Drone to rob the poor Bees hive,  
That's no news;

A Parsons wife not apt to swive,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

A Taylor brisk in swaggering hose  
That's no news;  
A Frenchman stradling as he goes,  
That's no news;  
A Drunkard without a Copper nose,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

A Dutchman to be dayly drunk,  
That's no news;  
A Captain to maintain a Punk.  
That's no news;  
A Wardrobe in an empty Trunk,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

To see two Ships at sea to grapple,  
That's no news;  
To see a horse that's all dapple,  
That's no news;  
To see a red nose roast an apple,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

A Petty-fogger brib'd with fees,  
That's no news;  
A Welchman cramn'd with toasted Cheese,  
That's no news;



A Lad and a Lass in bed to freeze  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

A Sattin suit without a Page,  
That's no news;

A rayling Poet o'er the Stage,  
That's no news;

A rich man honest in this Age,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

A Lawyer to turn hypocrite,  
That's no news;

A Serjeant to arrest a Knight,  
That's no news;

A Court without a Parasite,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

Before my news be overslipt,  
That's no news,

I wish all Knaves from London Shipt,  
That's no news,

And all the whores in Bridewell whipt,  
Hey ho, that's news indeed.

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*A Discourse between a Sea-man and  
a Land-Souldier.*

**W**e Sea-men are the honest boys,  
We fear no storms, nor Rocks-a,  
Whose Musick is their Cannons noise,  
Whose sporting is with Knocks-a.

Mars hath no Children of his own,  
But we that fight by Land-a  
Land-Souldiers Kingdoms up have thrown,  
Yet they unshaken stand-a.

'Tis brave to see a tall Ship sail  
With all her trim geer on her,  
As though the divel were in her tail  
Before the wind she'll run-a.

Our main Battalia when it moves  
There's no such glorious thing-a,  
Whose Leaders, like so many Joves,  
Abroad their thunders sling-a.

Come let's reckon what Ships are ours,  
The Gorgon, and the Dragon,  
The Lyon which in field is bold,  
The Bull with bloody Flagon.

Come

Come let's reckon what works are ours,  
 Forts, Bulwarks, Barriadoes,  
 Mounts, Gabiners, Parrapits, Counter-mines,  
 Casimates, and Pallizadoes,

Field-Peeces, Musquets, groves of Pikes,  
 Carbines, and Canoneers,  
 Quadrants; and Half-moons, and Ranks of Files,  
 And Fronts, and Vans, and Rears.

A health to brave Land-Souldiers all,  
 Let Cans a piece go round-a :  
 And to all Seamen, great and small,  
 Let lofty Musick sound-a.

### *A Song.*

**M**Y Mistris is in Musick passing skilful,  
 And Plaies and sings her part at the first sight,  
 But in her play she is exceeding wilful,  
 And will not play but for her own delight,  
 Nor touch one string, nor play one pleasing strain;  
 Unless you take her in a pleasing vein.

Also she hath a sweet delicious touch  
 Upon the Instrument whereon she plaies,  
 And thinks that she doth never do too much;  
 Her pleasures are dispers'd so many waies ;

She hath such Judgement both in time and mood,  
That for to play with her 'twill do you good.

And then you win her heart : but here's the spight,  
You cannot get her for to play alone,  
But play with her, and she will play all night,  
And next day too, or else 'tisten to one,  
And run division with you in such sort,  
Run ne'er so swift she'll make you come too short.

Still so she sent for me one day to play,  
Which I did take for such exceeding grace,  
But she so tir'd me ere I went away:  
I wisht I had been in another place:  
She knew the play much better than I did,  
And still she kept me time for heart and bloud.

I love my mistris, and I love to play,  
So she will let me play with intermission :  
But when she ties me to it all the day,  
I hate and loath her greedy disposition ;  
Let her keep time, as nature doth require,  
And I will play as much as she'll desire.

*In Praise of Ale.*

**W**hen the chill Charokoe blows,  
And Winter tells a heavy tale,

And

And Pies and Daws, and Rooks and crows  
Do sit and curse the frost and snows,  
Then give me Ale.

Ale in a *Saxon Rumkin* then,  
Such as will make grim *Malkin* prate,  
Bids Valour bargain in t all men,  
Quickens the Poets Wits and Pen,  
Despises Fate.

Ale, that the absent Battel fights  
And forms the March of Swedish Drums,  
Disputes the Princes Laws and Rights,  
What's past and done tells mortall Wights,  
And what's to come.

Ale, that the Plough-mans heart up keeps,  
And equals it to Tyrants Thrones:  
That wipes the eye that ever weeps,  
And lulls in sweet and dainty sleeps  
Their very bones.

Grandchild of *Ceres*, *Bacchus* Daughter,  
Wines emulous Neighbour, if but stale:  
Ennobling all the Nymphs of Water,  
And filling each mans heart with laughter,  
Oh give me Ale.

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*The Rebellion.*

**N**OW, thanks to the Powers below,  
 We have even done our do,  
 The Myter is down, and so is the C ———  
 And with them the Coronet too :  
 All is now the Peoples, and then  
 What is theirs is ours we know ;  
 There is no such thing as B ——— or K ———  
 Or Peer, but in name or show ;  
 Come Clowns, and come Boys, come Hoberde-hoys,  
 Come Females of each degree,  
 Stretch out your throats, bring in your Votes,  
 And make good the Anarchy.  
 Then thus it shall be, saies *Alse*,  
 Nay, thus it shall be, saies *Anie*,  
 Nay, thus it shall go, saies *Tassie*, I trow,  
 Nay, thus it shall go, saies *Femmy*,

Oh but the truth, good People all, the truth is such a  
 For it will undo both Church and State too, (thing,  
 And pull out the throat of our King :  
 No, nor the Spirit, nor the new Light  
 Can make the Point so clear,  
 But we must bring out the dekil'd coat,  
 What thing the truth is, and where,

Speak

Speak *Abraham*, speak *Hester*,  
 Speak *Judith*, speak *Kester*,  
 Speak tag and rag, short coat and long;  
 Truth is the spel that made us rebel,  
 And murder and plunder ding dong,  
 Sure I have the truth, saies *Nymphs*,  
 Nay, I have the truth, saies *Clem*,  
 Nay, I have the truth, saies reverend *Rush*,  
 Nay, I have the truth, saies *Nem*.

Well, let the truth be whose it will,  
 There is something else is ours,  
 Yet this devotion in our Religion  
 May chance to abate our Powers:  
 Then let's agree on some new way,  
 It skills not much how true,  
 Take *Pryn* and his club, or *Smec* and his tub,  
 Or any Sect, old or new,  
 The divel is in the pack if choice you can lack,  
 We are fourscore Religions strong,  
 Then take your choice, the Major voice  
 Shall carry't right or wrong;  
 Then let's have King *Charles*, saies *George*,  
 Nay, we'll have his son, saies *Harry*,  
 Nay, then let's have none, saies gabbering *Jones*,  
 Nay we'll be all Kings, saies *Pine*.

Nay, but neighbours and friends, one word more,  
 There's something else behind,



And wise though you be, you do not well see

In which door sits the wind;

And for Religion, to speak truth,

And in both Houses sence,

The matter is all one if any or none,

If it were not for the pretence;

Now here doth lurk the key of the work,

And how to dispose of the Crown

Dexteriously, and as it may be

For your behalf and our own;

Then we'll be of this, saies *Meg*,

Nay, we'll be of this, saies *Tib*,

Come, he'll be of all, saies pittifull *Paul*,

Nay, we'll be of none, saies *Gib*.

Oh we shall have, if we go one

In Plunder, Excise, and Blood,

But few folks, and poor, to domineer o'er,

And that will not be so good;

Then let's agree on some new way,

Some new and happy course,

The Country is grown sad, the City is Horn mad,

And both Houses are worse;

The Sined hath writ, the General hath shut,

And both to like purpose, for

Religion, Laws, the Truth, and the Cause

We talk on, but nothing we do;

Come, then let's have peace, saies *Nel*,

No, no, but We won't, saies *Meg*,

But

But I say we will, saies fiery-face *Phil*,  
We will, and we won't, saies *Hodge*.

Thus from the rout who can expect  
Ought but confusion,  
Since true unity with good Monarchy  
Begin and end in one?

If then when all is thought their own,  
And lies at their belief,  
These popular pates reap nought but debates  
From these many round-headed beasts;  
Come Royallist then, do you play the men,  
And Cavaliers give the word,  
And now let's see what you will be  
And whether you can accord;  
A health to King *Charles*, saies *Tom*,  
Up with it, saies *Ralph*, like a man,  
God blefs him, saies *Doll*, and raise him, saies *Moll*,  
And send him his own, saies *Nan*.

But now for these prudent Wights,  
That sit without end, and to none,  
And their Committees in Towns and Cities  
Fill with confusion;  
For the bold Troopes of Sectaries,  
The Scots and their Partakers,  
Our new Brittish States, Col. *Burges* and his mates,  
The Covenant and its makers:  
For all these wee'll pray, and in such a way,

That

That if it might granted be,  
 Both *Jack* and *Gill*, and *Moll* and *Will*,  
 And all the World will agree :  
 Else *Pox* take them all, saies *Bess*,  
 And a *Plague* too, saies *Mary*,  
 The devil, saies *Dick*, and his *Dam* too, saies *Nick*,  
 Amen and amen say we.

*How to get a Child without  
 help of a Man.*

**A** Maiden of late, whose name was sweet *Kate*,  
 Was dwelling in *London*, near to *Aldersgate*,  
 Now list to my *Ditty*, declare it I can,  
 She would have a Child without help of a man.

To a Doctor she came, a man of great fame,  
 Whose deep skill in *Physick* Report did proclaim,  
 I pray, master Doctor, shew me, if you can,  
 How I may conceive without help of a man.

Then listen, quoth he, since so it must be, (sently,  
 This wondrous strong medicine I'll shew you pre-  
 Take nine pound of thunder, six legs of a Swan,  
 And you shall conceive without help of a man.

The wooll of a Frog, the juyce of a Log,  
 Well parboyl'd together in the skin of a hog,

With

With the egge of a Mooncalf, if get it you can,  
And you shall conceive without help of a man.

The Love of false Harlots, the Faith of false Varlets,  
With the Truth of decoys, that walk in their Scarlet,  
And the Feathers of a Lobster well fry'd in a pan,  
And you shall conceive without help of a man.

Nine Drops of rain, brought hither from Spain  
With the blast of a Bellows quite over the main,  
With eight quarts of brimstone, brew'd in a beer Can,  
And you shall conceive without help of a man.

Six Pottles of Lard squeez'd from a Rock hard,  
With nine Turkey Eggs, each as long as a Yard,  
With a Pudding of hailstones bak'd well in a Pan,  
And you shall conceive without help of a man.

These Medicines are good, and approved hath stood,  
Well tempered together with a Pottle of blood,  
Squeez'd from a Grasshopper, and the naile of a Swan,  
To make Maids conceive without help of a man.

### Loves Fancy.

After the pains of a desperate Lover,  
When day and night I had sigh'd all in vaine,  
Ah

Ah what a pleasure it is to discover,  
In her eyes pittie who causes my pain,

Chorus *Ah what, &c.*

When the denial comes fainter and fainter,  
And her eyes gives what her tongue doth deny  
Ah what a trembling I feel when I venter,  
Ah what a trembling does usher my Joy!

Chor. *Ah what, &c.*

When with unkindness our Love at a stand is,  
And both have punish'd our selves with the pain,  
Ah What a pleasure the touch of her hand is!  
Ah what a pleasure to press it again!

Chor. *Ah what, &c.*

When with a sigh she accords me the blessing  
And her eyes twinkle 'twixt pleasure and pain,  
Ah what a Joy! oh beyond all expressing!  
Ah what a Joy to hear it again!

Chor. *Ah what, &c.*

### *Fortune's Favours distributed.*

**B**Lind Fortune, if thou want'st a Guide,  
I'll tell thee how thou shalt divide:  
Distribute unto each his due,  
Justice is blind, and so are you.

To Usurers this doom impart :  
May his Scriveners break, and then his heart,  
May his Debtors unto Beggars fall,  
For what is as bad, turn Courtiers all.

And unto Tradesmen, that sell dear,  
Long vacation all the year,  
Revenge us thus on their deceits,  
And send them Wives light as their Weights.

But Fortune how wil't recompence  
The French mans dayly insolence?  
For them, I wish no greater pain,  
Than to be sent to *France* again.

And lest thine Altar should want fire,  
To Bridemens Votes grant their desire,  
To Lovers, that will not believe  
Their Sweet mistakes, thy blindness give.

And lest the Players should grow poor,  
Send them *Anglauris* more and more,  
And to the Puritan more cares,  
Than *Cealus* in his Garland wears.

And to Physitians, if thou Please,  
Send them another new Disease;  
To Scholars give if thou canst do't,  
Benefice without a suit.

Unto



Unto Court-Lords, Monopolies,  
 And to their Wives Communities;  
 Thus, Fortune, thou canst please us all,  
 If Lords can rise, and Ladies fall,

And unto Lawyers, I beseech,  
 As much for silence as for speech;  
 To Ladies Ushers, strength of back,  
 And unto me, a cup of Sack.

If these Instructions make thee wise,  
 Men shall restore again thy eyes:  
 By a new name thou shalt commence,  
 Not fortune call'd, but Providence.

### *A Letany.*

**F**ROM Mahomet, and Paganisme,  
 From Hereticks, and Sects and Schisme,  
 From high-way Rascals, and Cutpurse;  
 From carted Bawds, Scolds, and dry Nurses,  
 From Glisten-Pipes, and Doctors Whistles,  
 From begging Schollars stale Epistles,  
 From Turn-stile Boots, and Long lane Beavers,  
 From Agues, and from drunken Feavers,

*Libera nos Domine.*



From all several kind of Itches,  
From Pantaloons, and Cloak-bag Breeches,  
From Carbinadoed Sutes on Serges,  
From a Bastard that is the Clergies,  
From thredden points, and Cap of Cruel,  
From the danger of a Duel,  
From a Tally full of Notches,  
And from privy Seals of Botches,  
*Libera nos Domine.*

From a Whore that's never pleasant,  
But in lussy Wine or Pheasant,  
From the Watch at twelve a clock,  
And from *Bess's Broughtons* button'd Smock,  
From Hackney Coaches, and from Panders,  
That do boast themselves Commanders,  
From a Taylors tedious Bill,  
And Pilgrimage up *Holborn Hill*,  
*Libera nos Domine.*

From damages and restitutions,  
From accursed Executions,  
From all new-found waies of sinning,  
From the scurf, and sables Linnen,  
From the Pox, and the Physitian,  
And from the Spanish Inquisition,  
From a Wife that's wan and meager,  
And from Lice and Winters Leaguer,  
*Libera nos domine.*

From a griping slavish Cullion,  
 From the Gout, and the Strangullion,  
 From a Mountibanks Potion,  
 From his scarrings and his Lotion,  
 From the Buttocks of *Prisilla*,  
 That diers so with *Sarsapberilla*,  
 From a Lecture to the Zealous,  
 And from the Tub of old *Cornelius*,  
*Libera nos Domine.*

From bawdy Courts, and Civil Doctors,  
 From drunken Sumners and their Proctors,  
 From occasions for to revel  
 With a Lawyer at the Divel,  
 From Serjeants, Yeomen, and their Maces  
 And from false friends with double faces,  
 From an enemy More mighty  
 Than *Usquebaugh* or *Aqua vite*,  
*Libera nos Domine.*

### Penance.

**G**OD bless my good Lord Bishop,  
 And send him long to raign,  
 In health, wealth, and prosperity,  
 True justice to maintain,  
 He beats down sin in every place,  
 Poor Wenches dare not do

Lest they do Penance in a sheet,  
And pay their money too.

Down lately in a Garden  
It was my chance to walk,  
Where I heard two Sisters  
That secretly did talk :  
Quoth the Younger to the Elder,  
In faith, I dare not do,  
Lest I do Penance in a sheet,  
And pay my money too.

Then quoth the Eldest Sister,  
You are not of my mind,  
For if I meet a proper Lad  
That will to me prove kind,  
In faith, quoth she, I will not care  
To take a turn or two,  
Though I do Penance in a sheet,  
And pay my money too.

But here's the thing that vexes me,  
And troubles much my brain,  
If a poor man chance to get a child,  
And cannot it maintain,  
He must be censur'd by the Law  
As Justice doth afford,  
He must be stript, and then be whipt,  
And brought before my Lord.

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And



And your *Hops*, *Yest*, and *Malt*,  
 When they're mingled together  
 Makes your fancies to halt,  
 Or reeke any whither.

It stuffs up our Braines with *Froth* and with *Yest*;  
 That if one would write but a verse for a *Bellman*,  
 He must study till Christmas for an *Eight shilling* *Jest*  
 These liquors won't raise but drown & o're-  
 3 (whelm man.

Our drowsy *Metheglin*  
 Was only ordain'd to enveigle in  
 The Novice that knows not to drink yet;  
 But is fuddled before he can think it,  
 And your *Clarret* and *White*  
 Have a Gunpowder fury;  
 They're of the French spright,  
 But they won't long endure you:

And your Holliday *Muscadine* *Allagant* and *Tent*  
 Have only this property and virtue tha'ts fit in't  
 They'l make a man sleep till a Preachment be spent,  
 But we neither can warm our blood or our wit  
 4 (in't.

The *Bagrag* and *Rhenish*  
 You must with Ingredients Replenish,  
 It's a wine to please Ladies & Toys with  
 But not for a man to rejoice with:  
 But it's *Sack* makes the sport  
 And who gaires but the *Flavour*  
 Though an *Abbesse* he court

*Merry Drollerie,*

In his high shooes he'll have her:  
 It's this that advances the Drinker and Drawer,  
 Though his father come to Town in *Hobnailes* &  
 He turns it to Velvet & brings up an Heir, (*Leather*,  
 In the Town in his Chain, in the field, with his  
 (*Feather*.

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*Loves Lunatick.*

**H**Eard you not lately of a man  
 That ran beside his wits,  
 And naked through the City ran,  
 Wrapt in his frantick fits.

My honest Neighbours it is I,  
 See how the people flout me;  
 See where the mad man comes, they cry,  
 With all the Boys about me.

*Tom Bedlam* was a Sage to me,  
 I speak in sober-sadness,  
 For more strange Visions did I see  
 Than *Tom* in all his madness.

When first into this rage I hopt,  
 About the Market walkt I,  
 With Capons Feathers in my Cap,  
 Unto my self thus talkt I:

Saw you not Angels in her face,  
Each eye a Star out-darting ?  
Heard you not Musick from her voyce,  
Her Lips all joy imparting ?

Is not her hair more pure than Gold,  
Or Web of Spiders spinning ?  
Methinks in her I do behold  
My joyes and woes beginning.

Methinks I see her in a Cloud,  
The Planets round about her,  
I call'd and cry'd to them aloud,  
I cannot live without her.

The Bracelets which I wore of late,  
Inrich'd with Pearls and Gold,  
Are turn'd now to Iron Chains,  
Which keep my Pulses cold.

I mus'd thus unto my self,  
Each word with gesture acted :  
The people cry'd, O look poor else,  
See how the man's distracted.

I was a poor and harmless Wight  
Till roguish *Cupid* caught me,  
And till his Mother with her flight  
Into this pickle brought me.



At which my friends they were not glad,  
 Pray ~~Love~~ your Wits to cherish,  
 For once I was as proper a Lad  
 As was in all the Parish.

But whipt and stript I now must be,  
 Intangled now in Chains,  
 And for my love, you all may see,  
 I have this for my pains.

To Stable-straw I must go,  
 My time in Bedlam spending :  
 Good folk, you your beginning see,  
 But do not know your ending.

*The new Medly of the country man,  
 Citizen, and Souldier.*

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**F**ROM what-you-call't Town, in what-call-you't  
 To *London* Cham come, what fine Volk are here?  
 Sure thick is the place, itch smell the good chear.  
 Che'le knock at the Yate, then what ho God be here.  
 What are you Sir?

Cham a West Country man Zur.  
 Good Bumkin forbear,  
 Such hopnails as you are do seldom come here.  
 Cods looks, here's a Yellow wo'd make a man zwear  
 Cham come to tell, Sir, with Master Lord Maior.

What

What to do Sir?

To see his fine Doublet, his Chain, and his Ruff,  
His Beaver, his Gown, and such finical stuff;  
And what do you think of a kick or a cuff?  
If my whip will but last, if aith'chil give thee enough,  
And well laid on.

Hold, hold, prethee Countriman be not so hot.  
Che have a huge mind to lay a long lace on thy coat.  
Prethee tell me thy name & my L. Maior shall know  
My name is *Tom Hoyden*, what saiest thou to that? (it  
*Tom Hoyden*!

Then *Tom Hoyden* pack hence to *Croyden*,  
The Country is fitter for thee.  
Though you abhor us, and care not for us,  
Without us you cannot be.  
We can live without you and your Rustick coat,  
Did we not Vittle your House,  
My Lady *Maries*, with all her Baries,  
Would shite as small as a Lowse.

We have money. And we have honey.  
And we have the Silver and Gold.  
We have fuel.  
And we have Jewels.  
And we have Sheep in the Fold.  
We have silk enough.  
And we have milk enough.  
But we have the Treasure untold;

We have means, and ease.

But we have Beans and Pease,

And Bacon, hold belly, hold.

We have Purfes, and we have Horses,

And we have Powder and shot.

We have Pullets.

And we have Bullets.

And we have Spirits as hot.

We have Honours, and we have Mannors,

But we are walled about.

But when we begin

To keep our Cattle in,

In faith, you'll quickly come out.

We have Gallies,

And we have Vallies.

And we have Canons of brass ;

We have Feathers,

And we have Weathers

On Mountains matted with grass.

We have Wine, and Spice, Sugar, Fruit, and Rice.

But we have good Barley and Wheat :

And, were we put to it, can better live without

Money, than you without Meat.

*Cho.* Then since 'tis so that we cannot be

Without one another

Let us two agree,

May the Country prove fruitful,  
And City be free,  
No Climate in *Europe* so happy as we.

*Sol.* He that would be made by a Souldiers Trade,  
Let him be encouraged by me,  
For never did any men gain by the Blade  
As we have since forty three.

What Fellow is that? why, it seems a Souldate;  
Good morrow, good morrow to thee;  
Why how now my friends, all for your ends,  
Will you make up a peace without me?

You know in a word the power of the Sword,  
A Canon may conquer a King:  
But a sharp Sword will make a Scepter to shake;  
Faith you have the World in a sling.

Compare the whole Land to the parts of a man,  
The Country's the Legs and the Toes,  
And without a riddle the City is the middle,  
But the Souldier is the head and the Nose.

Though now we wear Blades,  
We once were of Trades,  
And shall be whilst Trading endures;  
Our Officers are, although men of war,

Some

Some Goldsmiths, some Drapers,  
And Brewers.

Do you get increase, we'll guard you with peace,  
The Sword shall not come where the Axe is,  
We'll take off your cares: we'll take off your fears:  
But when will you take of our Taxes?

We keep Spaniards from you,  
That would overcome yee,  
Whilst you do plough, harrow, and thresh, (bone  
The Frenchman is our own. What is bred in the  
Will hardly get out of the flesh.

We quarter in Villages, Cities, and Towns,  
And sometimes we lie in the Fields.  
But if from your Colours you offer to run,  
Then you must be laid neck and heels.

Through Countries we march, & for enemies search,  
And command all things in Bravadoes.  
But oh, my good friend, if you do offend,  
I'm sure you must have the Strappadoes.

When, Sir, the City still shall fit you  
With what you do deserve,  
The Country Cowman and the ploughman  
Will not let you starve:

With

With Buff and Beaver we will ever  
Bless the back and head.

We will give thee money enough, and Ammunition,  
And seal to this condition. And so do I introth.  
And I will spend my blood Sir.  
And I will spend my Treasure  
To do the Soldier's pleasure.  
Why, now I thank you both.

(Court

*Cho.* Let the City, the Country, the Camp and the  
Be the places of pleasure and Royal resort,  
And let us observe in the midst of our sport,  
That Fidelity makes us as firm as a Fort :  
A Union well-grounded no malice can hurt.

### *The indifferent Lover.*

**N**O man Love's fiery passions can approve,  
As either yielding pleasure or promotion :  
I like a mild and lukewarm zeal in love,  
Although I do not like it in devotion :

For it hath no coherence with my Creed,  
To think that lovers mean as they pretend :  
If all that said they died, had died indeed,  
Sure long ere this the World had had an end.

Some

Some one perhaps of long Consumption dried,  
 And after falling into love might dye,  
 But I dare swear he never yet had died  
 Had he been half so sound at heart as I.

Another, rather than incur the slander  
 Of true Apostate, will false Martyr prove ;  
 I'll neither *Orpheus* be, nor yet *Leander*,  
 I'll neither hang nor drown my self for love.

Yet I have been a Lover by report,  
 And I have died for Love as others do,  
 Prais'd be Great *Jove* I died in such a sort,  
 As I revived within an hour or two.

Thus have I liv'd, thus have I lov'd, till now,  
 And ne'r had reason to repent me yet,  
 And whosoever otherwise shall do,  
 His courage is as little as his wit.

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### *Loves Torment.*

**W**Hen blind God *Cupid*, all in an angry mood,  
 And *Cythera*, the fairest Queen of Love,  
 Did leave *Sylvanus* pleasant shadowed woods,  
 And mounted up into the Heavens above,  
     Even then when *Sol*,  
     Even then when *Scl*



In water set his bed,  
Did seek to hide,  
Did seek to hide  
His golden shining head.

Like *Philomel*, all in a dolefull wife,  
I pass the silent-coloured night in woe;  
No rest nor sleep can seize upon my eyes,  
Oh cruel beauty that did torment me so!

No one can tell,  
No one can tell  
How I in sorrows dwelt,  
Save only she,  
Save only she  
That hath like Passions felt.

The night is past all, and *Aurora* red  
Begins to shew her ruby-coloured face,  
Leaving old *Tytan* and his aged head,  
The cloudy darkness from the skies to chase;

Ah my poor heart,  
Ah my poor heart  
In flames of fire doth fry,  
I live in love,  
I love and live,  
I live, and yet I dye.

Each pretty little bird enjoys his Mate,  
And gently billing sits upon a Tree,

And

*Merry Drollery,*

And on the Verdant shadowed woods do prate,  
Chirping their Notes with pleasant Harmony ;

I wish my Love,  
I wish my Love  
My pretty bird may be  
To ease my grief,  
To ease my grief  
And cure my malady.

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*'The Rebel Red-coat.*

Come Drawer, come fill us about more wine,  
Let us merrily tippie, the day is our own,  
We'll have our delights, let the Country go pine,  
Let the King and the Kingdom groan:  
For the day is our own, and so shall continue,  
Whilst Monarchy we baffle quite,  
We'll spend all the Kingdoms Revenue,  
And sacrifice all to delight :  
'Tis power that brings us all to be Kings,  
And we'll be all crown'd by our might.

A fig for Divinity, Lecture and Law  
And all that to Royalty do pretend,  
We will by our Swords keep the kingdoms in aw,  
And our power shall never have end :  
The Church and the State we'll turn into liquor,  
And spend a whole town in a day,

We'l

We'll melt all their Bodkins the quicker  
 Into Sack, and so drink them away,  
 We'll spend the demians o'th' Bishops & Deans,  
 And over the Presbyter fway.

The nimble St. *Patrick* is sunk in a bog,  
 And his Country-men sadly cry, *Oh hone, Oh hone,*  
 St. *Andrew* and's kirk-men are lost in a fog,  
 And we are the Saints alone :  
 Thus on our superiours and equals we trample,  
 Whilst Jockie the firrop shall hold,  
 The Citie's our Mule for example,  
 While we thus in plenty are roll'd,  
 Each delicate Dish shall but answer our wish,  
 And our drink shall be cordial Gold.

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*Love lies a bleeding : In Imitation of  
 Law lies a bleeding.*

Lay by your pleading,  
 Love lies a bleeding,  
 Burn all your Poetry, and throw away your reading.  
 Piety is painted,  
 And Truth is tainted,  
 Love is a reprobate, and Schism now is Sainted,  
 The Throne Love doth sit on,  
 We dayly do spit on,

It

It was not thus, I wis, when *Betty* rul'd in *Britain*,  
 But friendship hath faultred,  
 Loves Altars are altered, (tred.  
 And he that is the cause, I would his neck were hal-

When Love did nourish  
*England* did flourish,  
 Till holy hate came in and made us all so currish.  
 Now every Widgeon  
 Talks of Religion,  
 And doth as little good as *Mahomet* and his Pidgeon.  
 Each coxcombe is suiting  
 His words for confuting, (puting.  
 But heaven is sooner gain'd by suffering than by dis-  
 True friendship we smother,  
 And strike at our Brother  
 Apostles never went to God by killing one another.

Let Love but warm ye  
 Nothing can harm ye,  
 When Love is General, there's Angels in the Army.  
 Love keeps his quarters,  
 And fears no tortures, (tyrs.  
 The bravest fights are written in the Book of Mar-  
 Could we be so civil  
 As to do good for evill  
 It were the only happy way to o'recome the divel.  
 The Flowers Love hath watred,

Sedition hath scattred, (of hatred.  
We talk with tongues of holiness, but act with hearts

He that doth know me,  
And love will shew me,  
Hath found the nearest noble way to overcome me.

He that hath bound me,  
And then doth wound me, (me.  
Wins not my heart, doth not conquer, but confound  
In such a condition

Love is the physician,  
True Love and Reason makes the purest politician.  
But strife and confusion,  
Deceit and delusion,

Though it seem to thrive at first will make a sad  
(conclusion.

Love is a fewel,  
A pretious Jewel, (the duel.  
'Tis Love must stanch the blood when Fury fights

Love is a loadstone,  
Hate is a bloodstone, (stone.

Heaven is the North Point, and Love is the Load-  
Though fury and scorn

Loves Temples have torn,  
He'll keep his Covenant, and will not be forsworn.  
His Laws do not border

On strife and disorder,  
He scorns to get his wealth by perjury and murder.

What falshood drew in,  
 Grace never grew in,  
 Love will not raise him upon anothers ruine.

He can present ye  
 With peace and plenty, (twenty.  
 Love never advanceth one by throwing down of

Where Love is in season,  
 There Truth is and Reason,  
 The soul of Love is never underlaid with Treason.

He never doth quarrel  
 For Princely apparrel,  
 Nor ever fixed a chair of state upon a barrel.

Love from the dull pit  
 Of Follies full pit  
 Never took an Anvil out, and put it in a pulpit.

Love is no sinker,  
 Truth is no slinker,  
 In mending breaches Love did never play the tinker.

Where Vengeance and Lust is,  
 No truth nor trust is,  
 As will appear at last in Gods high Court of Justice.

Pity and remorse is  
 The strength of Loves Forces,  
 Paul never converted men by stables fill'd with  
 (horses.

Mercy is fading,  
 Truth is degrading,  
 Love is the only cause of Plenty, Peace, & Trading.  
 Love

Love is a fire  
 Made of desire,  
 Whose chief Ambition is to heaven to aspire.  
 It stops the gradation  
 Of fury and passion, (Nation.  
 It governs all good Families, and best can guide a  
 The Low Land, the high Land,  
 And my Land, and thy Land,  
 Grew all in common fraight when Love had left  
 (this Island

Where peace is panting,  
 And rage is ranting,  
 'Tis an undoubted sign the King of Love is wanting.  
 Father and Mother,  
 Sister and Brother,  
 If Love be lacking, quickly mischief one another.  
 Where wrath is, the rod is  
 That ruins our bodies;  
 With hate the divel is, but where Love is God is.  
 Then let us not doubt it,  
 But streight go about it,  
 To bring in Love again, we cannot live without it.

Then let the Graces  
 Crown our embraces,  
 And let us settle all things in their proper places.  
 Left persecution  
 Cause dissolution,  
 Let all purloyned wealth be made a restitution.



For though now it tickles,  
 'Twill turn all to prickles, (tickles.  
 Then let's live in peace, and turn our Swords to  
 When *Noah's* Dove was sent out,  
 Then Gods Pardon went out, (it.  
 They that would have it so, I hope, will say Amen to

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### A Catch.

**B**Ring forth your Cunny skins, fair maids, to me,  
 And hold them fair that I may see  
 Gray, Black, and blew; for your smaller skins  
 I'll give you Glasses, Laces, Pins:  
 And for your whole Cunny  
 I'll give you ready money.

Come, gentle *Jone*, do thou begin  
 With thy black, black, black Cunny skin,  
 And *Mary* then, and *Kate* will follow  
 With their silver'd-hair'd skins, and their yellow;  
 Your white Cunny-skin I will not lay by,  
 Though it be fat, it is fair to the Eye.

Your gray is is warm, but for my money  
 Give me the bonny, bonny black Coney;  
 Come away, fair maids, your skins will decay,  
 Come and take money, maids, put your ware away;  
 I have fine Bracelets, Rings,  
 And I have silver Pins;

Coney

Coney skins, Coney skins,  
Maids, have you any Coney skins.

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### *A Catch of the Beggars.*

**F**ROM hunger and cold who lives more free,  
Or who lives a merrier life than we ;  
Our bellies are full, and our backs are warm,  
And against all Pride our Rags are a Charm ;  
Enough is a feast, and for to morrow  
Let rich men care, we feel no sorrow.

The City, and Town, and every village  
Afford us an Alms, or a Pillage ;  
And if the weather be cold and raw,  
Then in a Barn we tumble in straw :  
If fair and warm, in yea-Cock and nay-Cock  
The Fields afford us a hedge or a hey-Cock.

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### *The Time-server.*

**R**oom for a Gamester that plaies at all he sees,  
Whose fickle fancy fits such times as these,  
One that saies *Amen* to every factious prayer,  
From *Hugh Peters* Pulpit to *S. Peters* Chair,  
One that doth defie the Crozier and the Crown,  
But yet can bouze with Blades that Carrouze

Whilst Pottle-pots tumble down, dery down;  
 One that can comply with Surplice and with Cloak,  
 Yet for his end can I depend,  
 Whilst Presbyterian broke *Britains* yoke.

This is the way to trample without trembling,  
 'Tis the Sycophant's only secure,  
*Covenants* and *Oaths* are badges of dissembling,  
 'Tis the politick pulls down the pure:  
 To Profess and betray, to plunder and pray,  
 Is the only ready way to be great,  
 Flattery doth the feat:  
 Ne'r go, ne'r stir, will venter further  
 Than the greatest *Dons* in the Town,  
 From a Copper to a Crown.

I am in a temp'rate humour now to think well,  
 Now I'm in another for to drink well,  
 Then fill us up a Beer-bowl boys, that we  
 May drink it merrily,  
 No knavish Spy shall understand,  
 For if it should be known,  
 'Tis ten to one we shall be trappan'd.

I'll drink to thee a brace of quarts,  
 Whose Anagram is call'd *True Hearts*,  
 If all were well as I would ha't,  
 And *Britain* cur'd of its tumour,

I should very well like my Fate,  
And drink my Sack at a cheaper rate,  
Without any noise or rumour,  
Oh then I should fix my humour.

But since 'tis no such matter, change your hue,  
I may cog and flatter, so may you :  
Religion is a Widgeon, and Reason is a Treason,  
And he that hath a Loyal heart may bid the world  
(adieu.

We must be like the Scottish man,  
Who with intent to beat down Schism,  
Brought in the Presbyterian,  
With Canon and with Catechism :  
If Beuk won't do't, then Jockey shoot,  
For the *Kirk of Scotland* doth command,  
And what hath been, since they came in,  
I think w<sup>e</sup> have cause to understand.

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### A Song.

Gather your Rose-buds while you may,  
Old time is still a flying,  
For that Flower that smells to day,  
To morrow will be dying.

That Age is best, which if the force  
While youth and blood are warmer,

But being she grows worse and worse,  
And still succeeds the former.

The glorious Lamp of Heaven, the Sun,  
The higher he's a getting,  
The sooner will his race be Run,  
And nearer to his setting.

Then be not coy, but use your time,  
And while you may, go marry,  
For if you lose but once your prime  
You may for ever tarry.

*The Gelding of the Divel.*

**A** Story strange I will you tell  
Of the gelding of the Divel of hell,  
And of the Baker of Mansfield Town,  
That sold his bread both white and brown;  
To Nottingham Market he was bound,  
And riding under the Willows clear  
The Baker sung with a merry chear.

The Bakers horse was lusty and sound,  
And worth in Judgement full five pound;  
His skin was smooth, and his flesh was fat,  
His Master was well pleas'd with that,  
Which made him sing so merry, merrily  
As he was passing on the way.

But as he rode over the hill  
There met him two divels of hell:  
O Baker, Baker, then cry'd he,  
How comes thy horse so fat to be?  
These be the words the Baker did say,  
Because his stones are cut away.

Then, quoth the divel, if it be so,  
Thou shalt geld me before thou dost go;  
First tye thy horse to yonder tree,  
And with thy knife come and geld me;  
The Baker he had a knife for the nonce  
Wherewith to cut out the devils stones.

The Baker, as it came to pass,  
In haste alighted from his horse,  
And the divel on his back he lay,  
While the Baker cut his stones away,  
Which put the divel to great pain  
And made him to cry out amain.

O, quoth the divel, beshrew thy heart,  
Thou dost not feel how I do smart,  
And for the deed that thou hast done  
I will revenged be agen,  
And underneath this Green-wood tree  
Next Market day I will geld thee.

The Baker then but a little said,  
But at his heart was sore afraid;  
He durst no longer then to stay,  
But he rode hence another way :  
And coming to his Wife, did tell  
How he had gelt the diuel of hell.

Moreover to his Wife he told  
A tale that made her heart full cold,  
How that the diuel to him did say,  
That he would geld him next Market day :  
O, quoth the good wife, without doubt  
I had rather both thy eyes were out.

For then all the people far and near,  
That know thee, will but mock and jeer,  
And good-wives they will scold and brawl,  
And stoneless Gelding will thee call ;  
Then hold content, and be thou wise,  
And I'll some pretty trick devise.

I'll make the diuel change his note,  
Give me thy Hat, thy Band, and Coat,  
Thy Hose and Doublet eke also,  
And I like to a man will go ;  
I'll warrant thee next Market day  
To fright the diuel clean away.



When the Bakers wife was so drest,  
With all her bread upon ber beaft,  
To Nottingham Market, that brave Town,  
To sell her bread, both white and brown,  
And riding merrily over the hill,  
O there she spy'd the two divels of hell.

A little divel, and another,  
As they were playing both together ;  
Oh ho, quoth the divel, right fain,  
Here comes the Baker riding amain :  
Now be thou well, or be thou woe,  
I will geld thee before thou dost go.

The Bakers wife to the divel did say,  
Sir, I was gelded yesterday :  
O, quoth the divel, I mean to see ;  
And pulling her coats above her knee,  
And so looking upward from the ground,  
O there he spy'd a terrible wound.

O, quoth the divel, now I see  
That he was not cunning that gelded thee,  
For when that he had cut out the stones,  
He should have closed up the wounds,  
But if thou wilt stay but a little space  
I'll fetch some salve to cure the place.

He had not ran but a little way,  
 But up her belly crept a Flea:  
 The little divel seeing that,  
 He up with his paw and gave her a pat,  
 Which made the good wife for to start,  
 And with that she let go a rowzing fart.

O, quoth the divel, thy life is not long  
 Thy breath it smells so horrible strong,  
 Therefore go thy way, and make thy will,  
 Thy wounds are past all humane skill;  
 Be gone, be gone, make no delay,  
 For here thou shalt no longer stay.

The good wife with this news was glad,  
 But she left the divel almost mad;  
 And when she to her husband came,  
 With a joyful heart she told the same,  
 How she had couzned the divel of hell,  
 Which pleas'd her Husband wondrous well.

### *The Vagabond.*

**I** Am a Rôgue, and a stout one,  
 A most couragious drinker:  
 I do excell, it's known full well,  
 The Ratter, Tom, or Tinker:

Then do I cry, Good your Worship  
Bestow some small Denier a,  
And bravely then at the bouking Ken  
I'll bouze it all in beera.

My dainty Dames and Doxes,  
When that they see lacking,  
Without delay, poor wretches, they  
Will send the Duds a packing :  
Then do I cry, &c.

Ten miles unto a Market  
I go to meet a Miser,  
And in the throng I'll nip a bung,  
And the party ne'r the wiser :  
Then do I cry, &c.

If the Centry be coming,  
Then streight it is my fashion,  
My leg I'll tye close to my thigh  
To move them to compassion :  
Then do I cry, &c.

When I hear a Coach come rumbling,  
To my Crutches streight I hye me,  
For being lame, it is a shame  
Such Gallants should deny me ;  
Then do I cry, &c.

My Peg in a string doth lead me  
When I go into the Town, Sir,  
For to the blind all men are kind,  
And with their Alms bestow, Sir;  
Then do I cry, &c.

I th' winter time stark naked  
I go into some City,  
And every man, that spare them can,  
Will give me cloaths for pity;  
Then do I cry, &c.

My doublet sleeves hang empty,  
And for to beg the bolder,  
For meat and drink my arm I'll shrink  
Up close unto my shoulder,  
Then do I cry, &c.

If any gives me lodging  
A courteous knave they find me,  
For in my bed, alive; or dead,  
I leave some Lice behind me;  
Then do I cry, &c.

If from out the Low Countries  
I hear a Captains name, Sir,  
Then straight I'll swear I have been there,  
And so in fight came lame Sir;  
Then do I cry, &c.

In *Pauls* Church-yard by a Pillar  
 Sometimes you see me stand, Sir,  
 With a writ that shews what cares, what woes  
 I have past by Sea and Land, Sir ;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

Come buy, come buy a Horn-book,  
 Who buys my Pins and Needles :  
 Such things do I in the City cry  
 Oftimes to scape the Beadles ;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

Then blame me not for begging,  
 And boasting all alone, Sir,  
 My self I will be praising still,  
 For Neighbours I have none, Sir ;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

### *The Jovial Loyallist.*

STay, shut the Gate,  
 ST'other quart, 'faith 'tis not so late  
 As your thinking,  
 The Stars which you see in the Hemisphere be,  
 Are but studs in our cheeks by good drinking ;  
 The Sun's gone to tippie all night in the Sea boys,  
 To morrow he'll blush that he's paler than we boys,  
 Drink wine, give him water, 'tis Sack makes us the  
 (boys.  
 Fill

Fill up the Glasse,  
 To the next merry Lad let it pass,  
 Come away with't :  
 Let's set foot to foot, and but give our minds to't,  
 'Tis heretical Six that doth slay wit :  
 Then hang up good faces, let's drink till our noses  
 Give freedom to speak what our fancy disposes,  
 Beneath whose protection, now under the rose is,

Drink off your Bowl,  
 'Twill enrich both your head and your soul  
 With Canary ;  
 For a carbuncle'd face saves a tedious race,  
 And the *Indies* above us we carry :  
 No *Helicon* like to the juice of good wine is,  
 For *Phæbus* had never had wit that divine is,  
 Had his face not been bow-dy'd as thine is, & mine  
 (is,

This must go round,  
 Off with your hats till the pavement be crown'd  
 With your Bevers.  
 A Red-coated face frights a Sergeant and his Mace,  
 Whilst the Constable trembles to shivers,  
 In state march our faces like some of the *quorum*,  
 While the whores do fall down, & the vulgar adore  
 'um,  
 And our noses like Link-boys run shining before  
 'um.

Merry

M E R R Y  
**DROLLERY,**  
 Complete.

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 A C O L L E C T I O N

{ Jovial Poems,  
 Of { Merry Songs,  
 { Witty Drolleries,

Intermixed with Pleasant Catches.

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*The Answer.*

**H**Old, quaff no more,  
 But restore,  
 If you can, you've lost by your drinking,  
 Three Kingdoms and Crowns,  
 With their Cities and Towns,  
 While the King and his Progeny is sinking;  
 The studs in your cheeks have obscured his star, boys,  
 Your drink and miscarriages in the late war, boys,  
 Hath brought his Perogative thus to the Bar, boys.

Throw down the Glass,  
 He's an Ass  
 That extracts all his worth from Canary:  
 That valour will shrink,  
 Which is only good in drink,  
 'Twas the Cup made the Camp to miscarry.  
 Ye thought in the world there was no power could  
     tame ye,  
 Ye tipled and whor'd till the Foe overcame ye,  
 Cuds-nigs and ne'r-stir Sir, hath vanquisht God-  
     dam-me.

Fly from the coast,  
 Or y' are lost,  
 And the water will run where the drink went,  
From

From hence you must slink,  
 If you swear and have no chink,  
 'Tis the curse of a Royal Delinquent.  
 Ye love to see Beer-bowls turn'd over the thumb  
 Well,  
 Ye love three fair Gamesters, four Dice and a Drum  
 Well,  
 But you'd as live see the divel as *Oliver Cromwel*.

Drink not the round,  
 You'll be drown'd  
 In the source of your Sack and your Sonnets,  
 Try once more your Fate  
 For the Kirk against the State,  
 And go barter your Bever for Bonnets:  
 I see how you'r charm'd by your female inchanters,  
 And therefore pack hence to *Virginia* for planters,  
 For an act and two red-coats will rout all the Ran-  
 ters.

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*A Catch.*

**H**ad she not care enough, care enough,  
 Care enough of the old man?  
 Shewed him, she fed him,  
 And to the bed she led him;  
 For seven long winters she lifted him on:  
 But oh how she negl'd him, negl'd him,  
 Oh how she negl'd him all the night long!

*A Catch.*

Here's a Health unto his Majesty with a Fa la la, &c.  
 Conversion to his enemies with a Fa la la, &c.  
 And he that will not pledge this Health;  
 I wish him neither wit nor wealth,  
 Nor yet a Rope to hang himself with a Fa la la, &c.

*Good Advice against Treason.*

**B**UT since it was lately enacted high Treason  
 For a man to speak truth against the head of a  
 State,

Let every wise man make use of his reason, (prate,  
 To think what he will, but take heed what he  
 For the Proverb doth learn us, (skin,  
 He that staies from the battel sleeps in a whole  
 And our words are our own, if we keep them within,  
 What fools are we then that to prattle do begin,  
 Of things that do not concern us,

Tis no matter to me who e'r gets the battel,  
 The Tubs or the Croffes, 'tis all one to me,  
 It neither increaseth my goods nor my cattel,  
 A beggar's a beggar, and so he shall be,  
 Unless he turn Traytor.

Let Misers take courses to hoard up their treasure,  
 Whose bounds have no limits whose minds have  
 no measure,

But

Let me be but quiet, and take a little pleasure,  
A little contents my own nature.

But what if the Kingdom returns to one of the  
Prime ones?

My mind is a Kingdom, and so it shall be,  
I'll make it appear, if I had but the time once,

He's as happy in one, as they are in three,  
If he might but enjoy it :

He that's mounted aloft, is a mark for the Fate,  
And an envy to every pragmatistical pate,  
Whilest he that is low is safe in his estate,  
And the great ones do scorn to annoy him.

I count him no wit that is gifted in rayling,

And flurting at those that above him do sit, (ling,  
Whilst they do out-wit him with whipping and goa-

His purse and his person must pay for his wit :

But it is better to be drinking,

If Sack were reform'd to twelve pence a quart,

I'd study for money to Merchandize for't, (sport,  
With a friend that is willing in mirth we would  
Not a word ; but we'd pay it with thinking.

My petition shall be that Canary be cheaper,

Without either Custom, or cursed Excize,

That the wits may have freedom to drink deeper  
and deeper,

And not be undone whilst our Noses we baptize,

But we'll liquor them, and drench them ;

If this were but granted, who would not desire,  
 To dub himseife one of *Apollo's* acquire?  
 And then we will drink whilst our Noses are on fire,  
 And the quart-pots shall be Buckets to quench  
 them.

*The feasting of the Diuel by Ben-  
 Johnson.*

**C**ook-Laurel would needs have the diuel his guest,  
 And bad him, once into the *Peake* to dinner;  
 Where never the Fiend had such a Feast  
 Provided him at the charge of a sinner.

His Stomack was queasie (for comming there coacht)  
 The jogging had caused some crudities rise,  
 To help it he call'd for a Puritan poacht,  
 That used to turn up the eggs of his eyes.

And so recovered unto his wish,  
 He sate him down, and he fell to eat;  
 Promooter in plum-broath was the first dish;  
 His own privy Kitchin had no such meat.

Yet though with this he much were taken,  
 Upon a sudden he shifted his trencher;  
 As soonas he spide the bawd, and bacon,  
 By this you may note the diuel's a wench.

Six pickled Taylors sliced and cut,  
Sempsters, Tire-women fit for his pallet,  
With feather-men, and perfumers put,  
Some twelve in a Charger to make a grand sallet.

A rich fat Usurer stew'd in his Marrow,  
And by him a Lawyers head and Green-sawce;  
Both which his belly took in like a barrow,  
As if till then he had never seen sawce.

Then carbinadoed, and cookt with pains  
Was brought up a cloven Serjeants Face;  
The sawce was made of the Yeomans brains,  
That had been beaten out with his own Mace.

Two roasted Sheriffs came whole to the board,  
(The Feast had nothing been without 'um,)  
Both living and dead they were Fox'd and Fur'd;  
Their chains like Sawfages hung about 'um.

The very next dish was the Mayor of a town,  
With a pudding of maintenance thrust in his belly;  
Like a Goose in the Feathers drest in his Gown,  
And his couple of Hinch boys boyld to a jelly.

A London Cuckold hot from the spit,  
And when the Carver up had broke him,  
The diuel chopt up his head at a bit, (him.  
But the horns were very near like to have choakt

The Chine of a Leacher too there was roasted,  
With a plump Harlots haunch and Garlick;  
A Panders pettitoes that had boasted  
Himself a Captain, yet never was warlike.

A large fat Pasty of a Mid-wife hot,  
And for a cold bak't meat into the story,  
A reverend painted Lady was brought,  
And coffin'd in crust, till now she was hoary.

To these, an over-grown-Justice of peace  
With a Clark like a gizzard thrust under each arm,  
And warrants for sippets, laid in his own grease  
Set over a chafing-dish to be kept warm.

The Jowle of a Jaylor served for Fish,  
A Constable souz'd with Vinegar by,  
Two Alder-men Lobsters asleep in a dish,  
A Deputy tart, a Church-warden pyc.

All which devoured, he then for a close,  
Did for a full draught of *Darby* call,  
He heav'd the huge Vessel up to his Nose,  
And left not till he had drunk up all.

Then from the Table he gave a start,  
Where banquet and wine were nothing scarce;  
All which he started away with a Fart,  
From whence it was called the divels Arse.

And



And there he made such a breach with the wind,  
The hole too standing open the while,  
That the scent of the Vapour before and behind,  
Hath foully perfum'd most part of the Isle.

And this was *Tobacco*, the Learned suppose,  
Which since in Country, Court, and Town,  
In the divels Glister-pipe smoakes at the Nose  
Of Polcat and Madam, of Gallant, and Clown.

From which wicked weed, with Twines-flesh & Ling,  
Or any thing else that's feast for the Fiend,  
Our Captains and we cry God save the King,  
And send him good meat, & Mirth without end.

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*A Catch.*

**A** Fig for care, why should we spare  
The Parish is bound to find us,  
For thou and I and all must dye,  
And leave the world behind us.

The Clerk shall Sing, the Bells shall Ring  
And the Old Wives wind us;  
Sir *John* shall lay our Bones in Clay,  
Where no body means to find us.

*The Virtue of Wine.*

**L** Et Souldiers fight for praise, and pay,  
And Money bid the Misers wish ;  
Poor Scholars study all the day,  
And gluttons glory in their dish ;  
    'Tis wine, 'tis wine revives sad souls,  
    Therefore give me the chearing bowls.

Let Minions marshal every hair,  
And in a Lovers lock delight,  
And artificial colours wear,  
We have the native red and white ;  
    'Tis wine, Pure wine, &c,

Take Pheasant, Puet, and Culvered Salmon,  
And how to please your Pallats think ;  
Give us a salt Westphalia gammon,  
Not meat to eat, but meat to drink ;  
    'Tis wine, pure wine, &c.

Some have the Ptylick, some the Rheume,  
Some have the Palsie, some the Gout ;  
Some swell with fat, and some consume,  
But they are sound that drink all out ;  
    'Tis wine, tis wine, &c.

Some

Some men want Wit, and some want Wealth;  
Some want a Wife, and some want a Punk;  
Some men want Food, and some want Health,  
But he wants nothing that is drunk;  
'Tis wine, 'tis pure wine, &c.

It makes the backward spirits brave,  
Them lively, that before were dull;  
Those grow good Fellows that are grave,  
And kindness springs from Cups brim-full;  
'Tis wine, 'tis wine revives sad soules,  
Therefore give me the Charming bowles.

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*A Catch.*

(nings,  
**N**E'er trouble thy self at the times or their tur-  
Afflictions run Circular and wheele about,  
Away with thy murmurings, & thy heart-burnings,  
With the juice of the Grape we'll quench the fire  
(out.

Ne'er chain nor imprison thy soul up in sorrow,  
What failes us to day, may befriend us to morrow,  
Let us scorn our content from others to borrow.

*A Catch.*

**T**Hree merry boys came out of the West,  
 To make Salt-peter strong;  
 They turn'd it into Gunpowder,  
 To charge the Kings Canon;  
 And so let this health go round, go round,  
 And so let this health go round,  
 Although thy stocking be made of Silk  
 Thy knee shall touch the ground.  
 God bless his Majesty,  
 And send him Victory.  
 Over his Enemy's  
 All or none.

*A Loves Song.*

**C**alm was the Evening, and clear was the Skie,  
 And new budding Flowers did spring,  
 When all alone went *Amyntas* and I  
 To hear the sweet Nightingale sing.  
 I sate, and he laid him down by me,  
 And scarcely his breath he could draw,  
 But when with a fear,  
 He began to come near,  
 He was dasht with a ah, ah, ah.

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He blusht to himself, and lay still for a while,  
And his modesty curb'd his desire,  
But streightly convinc'd all his fears with a smile,  
And added new flames to his fire.  
Ah *Silvia*, said he, you are cruel,  
To keep your poor Lover in awe,  
Then once more he prest  
With his hands to my brest,  
But was dast with a ah, ah, ah.

I knew 'twas his passions caus'd all his fear,  
And therefore I pitied his case,  
I whisper'd him softly, there's nobody near,  
And laid my cheek close to his face :  
But as he grew bolder and bolder,  
A shepherd came by us and saw,  
And just as our blifs  
Began with a Kiss:  
He burst out with a Ha, Ha, ha, Ha.

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## The Brewers Praise.

Here's many a blinking verse was made  
In honour of the Blacksmiths trade,  
But more of the Brewers may be said,  
Which no body can deny.

I need not else but this repeat,  
The Blacksmith cannot be compleat,  
Unless the Brewer do give him a heat,  
Which no body, &c.

When Smug unto his Forge doth come  
Unless the Brewer doth liquor him home  
Could ne'er strike my pot and thy pot Tom,  
Which no body, &c.

Of all the Professions in the Town,  
This Brewers trade did gain renown,  
His liquor once reacht up to the Crown,  
Which no body, &c.

Much bloud from him did spring,  
Of all the trades this was the King,  
The Brewer had got the world in a sling,  
Which no body, &c.

Though Honour be a Princess daughter,  
The Brewer will woe her in bloud and slaughter,  
And win her, or else it shall cost him hot water,  
Which no body, &c.

He fear'd no powder, nor martial stops,  
But whipt Armies as round as tops,  
And cut off his foes as thick as hops,  
Which no body, &c.

He div'd for riches down to the bottom,  
And cri'd, my Masters, when he had got 'um,  
Let every Tub stand upon his own bottom,  
Which no body, &c.

In warlike Arts he scorn'd to stoop,  
For when his party began to droop,  
He'd bring them all up as round as a hoop,  
Which no body, &c.

The Jewish Scots, who fear to eat  
The flesh of Swine, our brewers beat, (treat  
'Twas the sight of their hogsheads made them to re-  
Which no body, &c.

Poor *Fockie* and his basket-hilt  
Was beaten, and much bloud was spilt,  
When their bodies, like barrells, did run a tilt,  
Which no body, &c.

Though *Jemmy* did give the first assault,  
The Brewer he made them at length to haul,  
And gave them what the Cat left in the maul,  
Which no body, &c.

They did not only bang the Kirk,  
But in *Ireland* too they did as much work,  
'Twas the Brewer made them surrender *Cork*,  
Which no body, &c.

This



This was a stout Brewer, of whom we may brag,  
But since he was hurried away with a hag,  
We have brew'd in a bottle, and bak'd in a bag,  
Which no body, &c.

They said that Antichrist came to settle  
Religion within a Cooler and a Kettle,  
His Nose and his Copper were both of a mettle,  
Which no body, &c.

He had a strong, and a very stout heart,  
And look'd to be made an Emperour for't,  
But the Divel did set a spoke in his Cart,  
Which no body, &c.

The Christian Kings began to quake,  
And said, with that Brewer no quarrels we'll make  
We'll let him alone, as he brews let him bake,  
Which no body, &c.

But yet by the way you must needs understand,  
He kept all his Passions so under command,  
Pride never could get the upper-hand,  
Which no body, &c.

And now may all stout souldiers say,  
Farewell the glory of the Dray,  
For the Brewer himself is turn'd to Clay,  
Which no body, &c.

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Thus fell a brave Brewer the bold son of slaughter,  
Who need not to fear much what should follow after,  
That dealt all his life-time in fire and water,  
Which no body, &c.

And if his Successor had had but his might,  
We all had not been in that pitiful plight,  
But alas, he was found many grains to light,  
Which no body, &c.

Though Wine be a Juice sweet, pleasant, and pure,  
This Trade doth such pleasure and profit procure,  
That every Vintner in Town is turn'd Brewer,  
VWhich no body, &c.

But now let's leave singing, and drink off our Bub,  
Let's call for a Reckoning, and every man club,  
For I think I have told you a Tale of a Tub,  
VWhich no body can deny.

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### *The Song of the Blacksmith.*

**O**F all the Trades that ever I see, (be;  
There's none to the Blacksmith compared may  
VWith so many several tooles works he,  
VWhich no body can deny.

The first that ever Thunderbolts made  
VWas a *Cyclops* of the Blacksmiths Trade,  
As in a Learned Author is said,  
VWhich no body, &c.

P

VWhen

When thundring like we strike about,  
The fire like Lightning flashes out,  
Which suddenly with water we d'out,  
Which no body, &c.

The fairest Goddess in the skies,  
To marry with *Vulcan* did advise,  
And he was a Blacksmith grave and wise,  
Which no body, &c.

*Vulcan* he to do her right,  
Did build her a Town by day and by night,  
And gave it a name which was *Hammersmiths* hight,  
Which no body, &c.

*Vulcan* further did acquaint her,  
That a pretty Estate he would appoint her,  
And leave her *Seacoal-lane* for a Joynter,  
Which no body, &c.

And that no enemy might wrong her,  
He built her a fort, you'd wish no stronger,  
Which was in the lane of *Ironmonger*,  
Which no body, &c.

*Smithfield* he did cleanse from durt,  
And sure there was great Reason for't,  
For there he meant she should keep her Court,  
Which no body, &c.

But after in a good time and tide,  
It was by the Blacksmith rectifi'd  
To the honour of *Edmund Ironside*,  
Which no body, &c.

*Vulcan* after made a traine,  
Wherein the God of war was tane,  
Which ever since hath been call'd *Paul's* chaine,  
Which no body, &c.

The common Proverb as it is read,  
That a man must hit the naile on the head,  
Without the Blacksmith cannot be said,  
Which no body, &c.

Another must not be forgot,  
And falls unto the Blacksmiths lot,  
That a man strike while the Iron is hot,  
Which no body, &c.

Another comes in most proper and fit,  
The Blacksmiths justice is seen in it,  
When you give a man roast & beat him with the spit  
When no body, &c.

Another comes in our Blacksmiths way,  
When things are safe, as old wives say,  
We have them under lock and key,  
Which no body, &c.

Another that's in the Blacksmiths books,  
And only to him for remedy looks,  
Is when a man's quite off the hooks,  
Which no body, &c.

Another Proverb to him doth belong,  
And therefore let's do the Blacksmith no wrong,  
When a man's held to it buckle and thong,  
VWhich no body, &c.

Another Proverb doth make me laugh,  
Wherein the Blacksmith may challenge half,  
When a Reason's as plain as a Pike staffe,  
Which no body, &c,

Though your Lawyers travel both near and far,  
And by long pleading a good cause may mar,  
Yet your Blacksmith takes more pains at the Bar,  
Which no body, &c.

Though your Scrivener seek to crush and to kill  
By his counterfeit deed, and thereby doth ill,  
Yet your Blacksmith may forge what he will,  
Which no body, &c.

Though your bankrupt Citizens lurk in their holes  
And laugh at their Creditors, and their Catchpoles  
Yet your Blacksmith can fetch them over the coals  
VWhich no body, &c.

Though

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Though *Jackie* in the stable be never so neat  
To look to his nag, and prescribe him his meat,  
Yet your Blacksmith knows better how to give a  
Which no body, &c. (heat,

If any Taylor have the Itch,  
The Blacksmiths water, as black as pitch,  
Will make his hands go thorough stich,  
Which no body, &c.

There's never a slut, if filth o'r smutch her,  
But owes to the Blacksmith for her leacher,  
For without a pair of tongues there's no man will  
Which no body, &c. (touch her,

Your roaring boy, who every one Quails,  
Fights, domineers, swaggers, and rayls,  
Could never yet make the Smith eat his Nails,  
Which no body, &c.

If a Schollar be in doubt,  
And cannot well bring his matter about,  
The Blacksmith he can hammer it out,  
Which no body, &c.

Now if to know him you would desire,  
You must not scorn, but rank him higher,  
For what he gets, is out of the fire,  
Which no body, &c.

Now here's a good health to Blacksmiths all,  
 And let it go round, as round as a ball;  
 We'll drink it all off, though it cost us a fall,  
 Which no body can deny.

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*The Gypsies, a Catch.*

Come my dainty doxies,  
 My Dove, my Darle, my Dear,  
 We have neither meat nor drink,  
 Yet never want good chear;  
 We take no care for Candle, Rents,  
 We lye, we swear, we snort in Tents,  
 Come rouse betimes  
 All you that love your dinners,  
 Our store now taken  
 With Pigs, Hens, and Bacon,  
 And that's good meat for sinners.

At Fairs and Wakes we cuzzen  
 Poor Country Folk by the dozen;  
 Some come to disburfes,  
 And some to pick purses;  
 We for want of use  
 We steal both hose and shooes,  
 Gilded Spurs with jingling Rowels,  
 Shirts or Smocks, Sheets or Towels;

Come



Come live with us all you that love your ease,  
He that's a Gipsie may be drunk when he please,  
We laugh, we quaff, we roar, we snuffle  
We drink, we Drab, we cheat, we shuffle,

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*In imitation of Come my Daphne, a  
Dialogue betwixt Pluto and Oliver.*

*Pluto* **C**ome Imp Royal, come away,  
Into black night we will turn bright day.

*Oliver.* 'Tis *Pluto* calls, what would my Syre?

*Pluto.* Come follow to the Stygian fire.

Where *Ireton* doth wait to welcome thee in

*Oliver.* Were I in bed with my sweet wife, (State.  
I'd quit those joys for such a life.

*Pluto.* My Princely *Nol* make hast,  
For thee we keep a fast.

*Oliver.* In these dismal shades will I  
Unto thee unfold my Villany.

*Pluto.* In my bosome I'll thee lay,  
For thy sake we'll all keep holy day.

*Chorus.* We'll rage and roar, and fry in flames,  
And *Charles* himself shall see  
How damn'dly we agree,  
Yet scorn to change our Chains  
For his Eternal diety.

## A Catch.

(for me,  
**T**He *wise men* were but seven, ne'r more shall be  
 The *Muses* were but 9, the worthies 3 times 3;  
 And three merry boys, & three merry boys are we;

The *Vertues* were but seven. & three the greater be;  
 The *Casars* they were twelve, & the fatal Sisters three;  
 And three merry Girles, & three merry Girles are  
 (we.

## The Power of Wine.

**H**ow poor is his Spirit, how lost is his name?  
 Deceiveth Opinion, and curtels his Fame,  
 When as his design turns neer to their hate,  
 'Twixt shall I, and shall I suspects their one wait,  
 Hath traffickt for honour, but lost the whole freight;  
 He that's stout in the front, but not so in the rear,  
 Doth forfeit his Fame, and is cowed down by fear.

A small part of honour to him doth belong,  
 Consults not his glory, but faints in the throng,  
 That fears to embrace what his Country doth vote,  
 And yields up her liberty to a Red-coat;  
 Sure *Midsommer* is near, and some men do doat,

I like the bold Romans, whose Fame ever rings  
That kept in subjection such pitiful things.

He that will be Bugbear'd is turn'd again Child,  
A Reed than a Scepter is fitter to weild ;  
Examine that story, no story you'll find  
Than saving that story that Cat will to kind ;  
The world is deluded, the Commonwealth blind,  
Your false stamps of honor proves but copper mettle  
And Fame sounds as loud from a tinkers old kettle.

He that hath past the Pike, and found Canon-free,  
Which shews that no curse from his Parents could be,  
Had a soul so devout made killing a trade,  
And now to retreat at the scent of a blade, (made,  
Doth shew of what mould our Knight-errant is  
He that flags in his flight when his ambition soars  
Doth stab his own merit, & gives fame the lye. (high

Then *Cicero*-like you gown-men drench cares,  
O'rwhelm'd with your own & your Countries af-  
And Pulpit-men to be as ayry as he ; (fairs,  
Do you but preach Sack up, we'll ne'r disagree  
That Common-wealth's best that is the most free,  
Then fret not, nor care not, when the Sack's in our  
We fancy a King up, or fancy him down. (Crown,

*The mad Zealot.*

**A** M I mad, O noble *Festus*,  
When zeal and godly knowledge  
Have put me in hope  
To deal with the Pope,  
As well as the best in the Colledge?  
Boldly I preach, hate a Cross, hate a Surplice,  
Miters, Copes, and Rochets:  
Come hear me pray nine times a day,  
And fill your heads with Crotchets.

In the house of pure *Emanuel*  
I had my Education,  
Where my friends surmise  
I dazell'd mine eyes  
With the light of Revelation,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

They bound me like a Beldam,  
They lasht my four poor quarters;  
Whilst this I endure,  
Faith makes me sure  
To be one of *Foxes* Martyrs,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

These injuries I suffer  
Through Antichrists perswasions;  
Take off this chain,  
Neither *Rome* nor *Spain*  
Can resist my strong invasions,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

Of the beaks ten horns ( God blefs us )  
I have knockt off three already :  
If they let me alone,  
I'll leave him none :  
But they say I am too heady.  
Boldly I preach, &c.

When I Sack'd the seven hill'd-City,  
I met the great red Dragon :  
I kept him aloof,  
With the armour of proof,  
Though here I have never a rag on :  
Boldly I preach, &c.

With a fiery Sword and Target  
There fought I with this Monster :  
But the sons of pride  
My zeal deride,  
And all my deeds misconster.  
Boldly I preach, &c.

I unhors'd the whore of *Babel*  
With a Lance of Inspirations :  
I made her stink,  
And spill her drink  
In the cup of Abominations,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

I have seen two in a Vision,  
With a flying Book between them :  
I have been in despair  
Five times a year,  
And cur'd by reading *Greenham*,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

I observ'd in *Perkins* Tables  
The black Lines of Damnation,  
Those crooked veins  
So stuck in my brains,  
That I fear'd my Reprobation,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

In the holy land of Canaan  
I plac'd my chiefeft pleasure,  
Till I prick't my foot,  
With an Hebrew root,  
That I bled beyond all measure,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

appear'd before th' Archbishop,  
And all the High Commission :  
gave him no Grace,  
But told him to his face  
That he favour'd Superstition,  
Boldly I preach, hate a Cross, hate a Surplice,  
Miters, Copes, and Rochets :  
Come hear me pray nine times a day,  
And fill your heads with Crotchets.

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*Drunk with Love.*

I Doat, I dōat, but am a Sot to shew it,  
I was a very fool to let her know it,  
For now she doth so cunning grow,  
And proves a friend worse than a Foe,  
She will not hold me fast, nor let me go :  
She tells me I cannot forsake her,  
Then straight I endeavour to leave her,  
But to make me stay throws a kiss in my way,  
O then I could tarry for ever.

Thus I retire, salute, and sit down by her  
There do I fry in frost, and freeze in fire ;  
Now nectar from her lips I sup,  
And though I cannot drink all up,  
Yet I am fōx'd with kissing of the Cup:



For her lips are two brimmers of Clarret,  
 Where first I began to miscarry,  
 Her breasts of delight are two bottles of White,  
 And her eyes are two cups of Canary,

Drunk, as I live, dead drunk beyond reprieve,  
 For all my secrets dribble through a sieve;  
 About my neck her arms she layeth,  
 Now all is Gospel that she saith,  
 Which I lay hold on with my fudled faith;  
 I find a fond Lover's a Drunkard,  
 And dangerous is when he flies out,  
 With hips, and with lips, with black eyes & white  
 Blind *Cupid* sure tipl'd his eyes out. (thighs

She bids me rise, tells me I must be wise,  
 Like her, for she's not in love she cries;  
 This makes me fret, and fling, and throw,  
 Shall I be fettered to my foe?  
 I begin to run, but cannot go;  
 I prethee, sweet, use me more kindly,  
 You were better to hold me fast,  
 If you once disengage your bird from his cage,  
 Believe it he'll leave you at last.

Like Sot I sit, that fill'd the Town with wit,  
 But now confess I have most need of it;  
 I have been fox'd with Duck and Deer  
 Above a quarter of a year

Beyond

Beyond the cure of sleeping, or small beer;  
I think I can number the Months too,  
*July, August, September, October,*  
Thus goes my account, a mischief light on't,  
But sure I shall go when I'm sober.

My Legs are lam'd, my courage is quite tam'd,  
My heart and all my body is inflam'd,  
As by experience I can prove,  
And swear by all the Powers above,  
'Tis better to be drunk with wine than love:  
For 'tis Sack makes us merry and witty,  
Our foreheads with Jewels adorning,  
Although we do grope, yet there's some hope  
That a man may be sober next morning.

Thus, with command, she throws me from her hand,  
And bids me go, yet knows I cannot stand;  
I measure all the ground by trips,  
Was ever Sot so drunk with sips,  
Or can a man be overseen with lips?  
I pray Madam fickle be faithful,  
And leave off your damnable dodging,  
Then do not deceive me, either love me or leave  
Or let me go home to my lodging. (me,

I have too much, and yet my folly is such,  
I cannot hold, but must have t'other touch;  
Here's a health to the King: how now?

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I'm drunk and speak treason I vow,  
Lovers and Fools say any thing you know ;  
I fear I have tired your patience,  
But I'm sure 'tis I have the wrong on't ;  
My wits are bereft, and all I have left  
Is scarce enough to make a Song on't ;  
My Mistris and I shall never comply,  
And there's the short and the long on't.

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*A Present to a Lady.*

**L**adies I do here present you  
With a token Love hath sent you ;  
'Tis a thing to sport and play with,  
Such another pretty thing  
For to pass the time away with ;  
Prettier sport was never seen ;

Name I will not, nor define it,  
Sure I am you may devine it :  
By those modest looks I guess it,  
And those eyes so full of fire,  
That I need no more expreis it,  
But leave your fancies to admire.

Yet as much of it be spoken  
In the praise of this love-token :  
'Tis a wash that far surpasseth

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For the cleansing of your blood,  
All the Saints may bless your faces,  
Yet not do you so much good.

Were you ne'r so melancholly,  
It will make you blithe and jolly;  
Go no more, no more admiring,  
When you feel your spleen's amiss,  
For all the drinks of Steel and Iron  
Never did such cures as this.

It was born in th' Isle of Man  
*Venus* nurs'd it with her hand,  
She puffed it up with milk and pap,  
And lull'd it in her wanton lap,  
So ever since this Monster can  
In no place else with pleasure stand.

*Colossus* like, between two Rocks,  
I have seen him stand and shake his locks,  
And when I have heard the names  
Of the sweet Saterian Dames,  
O he's a Champion for a Queen,  
'Tis pity but he should be seen.

Nature, that made him, was so wise  
As to give him neither tongue nor eyes,  
Supposing he was born to be  
The Instrument of Jealousie,

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Yet

Yet here he can, as Poets feign,  
Cure a Ladies love-sick brain.

He was the first that did betray  
To mortal eyes the milky way;  
He is the *Protens* cunning Ape  
That will beget you any shape;  
Give him but leave to act his part,  
And he'll revive your saddest heart.

Though he want legs, yet he can stand,  
With the least touch of your soft hand;  
And though, like *Cupid*, he be blind,  
There's never a hole but he can find;  
If by all this you do not know it,  
Pray Ladies give me leave to shew it.

### A Combate of Cocks.

**G**O you tame Gallants, you that have the name,  
And would ac counted be Cocks of the Game,  
That have brave spurs to shew for't, and can crow,  
And count all dunghil breed that cannot shew  
Such painted Plumes as yours; that think no vice,  
With Cock-like lust to tread your Cockatrice:  
Though Peacocks, Wood-ckecks, Weather-cocks you be,  
If y' are no fighting-cocks, y' are not for me:

*I of two feather'd Combatants will write,  
He that to th' life means to express the fight,  
Must make his ink o' th' bloud which they did spill;  
And from their dying wings borrow his quill.*

**N**O sooner were the doubtfull people set  
The matches made, and all that would had bet,  
But straight the skilful Judges of the Play,  
Bring forth their sharp-heel'd Warriours, and they  
Were both in linnen bags, as if 'twere meet,  
Before they dy'd to have their winding sheet.  
With that in th' pit they are put, & when they were  
Both on their feet, the *Norfolk* Chanticleere  
Looks stoutly at his ne'r -before seen foe,  
And like a Challenger begins to crow,  
And shakes his wings, as if he would display  
His warlike Colours, which were black and gray :  
Mean time the wary *Wisbich* walks and breaths  
His active body, and in fury wreaths  
His comely crest, and often looking down,  
He whets his angry beak upon the ground :  
With that they meet, not like the coward breed  
Of *Æsop*, that can better fight than feed.  
They scorn the dung-hill, 'tis their only prize,  
To dig for Pearl within each others eyes :  
They fight so long, that it was hard to know  
To th' skilful, whether they did fight or no,  
Had not the bloud which died the fatal floor  
Born witness of it; yet they fight the more,

As if each wound were but a spur to prick  
Their fury forward : lightning's not more quick  
Nor red than were their eyes : 'twas hard to know  
Whether 'twas bloud or anger made them so :  
And sure they had been out, had they not stood  
More safe by being fenced in by blood.  
Yet still they fight, but now ( alas ) at length  
Although their courage be full tried, their strength  
And bloud began to ebbe ; you that have seen  
A water-combat on the Sea, between  
Two roaring angry boyling billows, how  
They march, and meet, and dash their curled brows,  
Swelling like graves, as if they did intend  
T'intomb each other, ere the quarrel end :  
But when the wind is down, and blustering weather,  
They are made friends, & sweetly run together, ( low  
May think these champions such, their combs grow  
And they that leapt even now, now scarce can go :  
Their wings which lately at each blow they clapt  
( As if they did applaud themselves ) now flap.  
And having lost the advantage of the heel,  
Drunk with each others bloud they only reel.  
From either eyes such drops of bloud did fall,  
As if they wept them for their Funeral.  
And yet they would fain fight, they come so near,  
As if they meant into each others ear  
To whisper death ; and when they cannot rise,  
They lie and look blows in each others eyes.



But now the Tragick part after the fight,  
 When *Norfolk* Cock had got the best of it,  
 And *Wisbich* lay a dying, so that none,  
 Though sober, but might venture seven to one,  
 Contracting ( like a dying Tapre ) all  
 His force, as meaning with that blow to fall ;  
 He struggles up, and having taken wind,  
 Ventures a blow, and strikes the other blind.  
 And now Poor *Norfolk* having lost his eyes,  
 Fights only guided by th' Antipathies:  
 With him ( alas ) the proverb holds not true,  
 The blows his eyes ne'er see, his heart most rue.  
 At length by chance, he stumbling on his foe,  
 Not having any power to strike a blow,  
 He falls upon him with a wounded head,  
 And makes his conquered wings his Feather-bed,  
 Where lying sick, his friends were very chary  
 Of him, and fetcht in haste an Apothecary ;  
 But all in vain, his body did so blister,  
 That 'twas uncapable of any Glisten,  
 Wheresoever at length, opening his fainting bill,  
 He call'd a Scrivener, and thus made his Will.

**I**Nprimis, *Let it never be forgot,*  
*My body freely I bequeath to th' pot,*  
*Decently to be boyl'd, and for its tomb,*  
*Let it be buried in some hungry womb.*  
 Item, *Executors I will have none,*  
*But he that on my side laid seven to one :*

*And like a Gentleman that he may live,  
 To him and to his heirs my comb I give;  
 Together with my brains, that all may know,  
 That sien times his brains did use to crow.  
 Item, it is my Will to the weaker ones,  
 Whose wives complain of them, I give my stones;  
 To him that's dull, I do my spurs impart,  
 And to the Coward, I bequeath my heart:  
 To Ladies that are light, it is my will,  
 My feathers should be giv'n; and for my bill,  
 I'd giv't a Taylor, but it is so short,  
 That I'm afraid he'l rather curse me for't:  
 And for the Apothecaries fee, who meant  
 To give me a Glisten, let my Rump be sent.  
 Lastly, because I feel my life decay,  
 I yield, and give to Wisbich Cock the day.*

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### *In praise of Sack.*

**C**OME faith let's frolick, fill some Sack,  
 For then we shall not lack  
 Food for the belly, nor physick for the back,  
 This Beer breeds the Chollick, let us spread  
 Our Cheeks with Royal Red,  
 And then we'll sing, hey tosse the divel's dead,  
 To Faction we never more will bow the knee:  
 Great Britains fate in faith 'twas long of thee.

You

You may see what Madam *England* hath been at  
When we behold her Nose is taln so flat.

To Wine we'll build a Shrine,  
And an Altar divine,  
High as the sign, where thy red nose and mine  
Like Tapers shall shine :

Then let's drink for the Bets, 'tis the loser that gets,  
In spight of their threats, and our Creditors nets,  
We'll drink off our debts,

Where he that's dead drunk, shall be  
Laid out in state, as well as he  
Whose dignity the only objects be  
Of new Idolatry.

We'll guard his corps like a Bride  
To the grave-side, so copious and wide,  
With as much pride as he that lately dyed,  
The Railing set aside.

Fifty red-faces free, shall his Torch-bearers be ;  
Six maudlin mourners his Coffin shall carry,  
There we will tipple free unto the memory  
Of our fraternity drown'd in Canary :  
In the Divil-Tavern we commonly will shew him,  
We'll bury him from the divel,  
Others fair men to him.

We'll be blythe and trimmer,  
We'll have Musick to —

Jews-harp, tongues and Skimmer,  
Thy Cup — my Cup —  
Bar-boy fill the other brimmer,  
Fly cup — strike up — there boy,  
Till our eyes do grow dimmer.

Money shall be spent in Bays,  
Every pen shall vent a praise  
And a Monument we'll raise  
Over his bones.

Where his Epitaph shall be,  
That he dyed in Loyalty,  
Never gain'd by Cruelty,  
Kingdoms, nor Crowns.

That he never lived by injury,  
Nor confounded men for forgery,  
Neither put a prop of Perjury  
Under his thrones;

That altho' he drank his Cares away,  
And sometimes his Loyal fears away,  
Yet he never drank the tears away  
Of Orphans Groans.

Thus he shall be both frolick and free,  
Who's kindly kill'd with Canary,  
With red and white, or other delight,  
If tippling makes him miscarry,  
Provided he Bachanel be,  
And scorns to admit of a parley

With

With Ale or Beer, or other such geer,  
Polluted with Hop or with Barley,  
Good wine doth ring; like Priest and King,  
But 'tis Ale that looks like a Lay-man,  
Then for the Vineyard draw your Whynyard,  
The Divel go with the Dray-man.

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*A Maidenhead.*

**V** V Hat is that you call a Maidenhead?  
A thing oft smothered in a bed,  
Which some have now, which all have had,  
Which freely given makes one sad.

'Tis got for nought with little pain;  
'Tis kept, but lost, not got again;  
'Tis that you call a Maidenhead,  
By proving quick 'tis ever dead.

A lump which Lasses bear about  
Till putting in doth put it out;  
A herb it is which proves a weed  
When first the husk doth bear a Seed.

It's that a Maidenhead we call,  
A thing by standing made to fall;  
It is a Maiden-head, say we,  
That's kept by holding close the knee.

Which

Which youths were often used to lurch,  
 Which Brides do seldom bear to Church;  
 At fifteen rare, at eighteen strange,  
 VVhich either lose when two do change.

That fit's when Maidens begin to reack,  
 VVhen ere it parts, it makes them squeak,  
 And being gone, they streight repent :  
 This by a Maidenhead is meant.

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*The Night encounter.*

**W**Hen *Phæbus* had drest his course to the West  
 To take up his rest below,  
 And *Cynthia* agreed in her glittering weed  
 Her light in his stead to bestow :  
 I walking alone, attended by none,  
 I suddenly heard one cry,  
     O do not, do not kill me yet,  
     For I am not prepared to dye.

At length I drew near to see and to hear,  
 And straight did appear to shew,  
 The Moon was so bright, I saw such a sight  
 It's fit no Wight should it know :  
 A man and a maid together were laid,  
 And ever she said, nay fie,  
     O do not, &c.

The youth was so tough he pull'd up her stuff,  
And to blindman-buff he did go,  
Though still she did lye, yet still she did cry,  
And put him but by with a no ;  
But he was so strong, and she was so young,  
That she rested a while for to cry,  
O do not, &c.

Thus striving in vain, well pleased again,  
She vowed to remain his foe,  
She kept such a coyl, when he gave her the foyl ,  
The greater the broyl did grow ;  
For he was prepar'd, and did not regard  
Her words, when he heard her cry,  
O do not, &c.

He said to the Maid, Sweet be not afraid,  
Thy Physitian I will be ;  
If I light in the hole that pleaseth me best,  
I'll give thee thy Physick free ;  
He went to it again, and hit in the Vein  
Where all her whole grief did lye ;  
O kill me, kill me once again,  
For I am prepared to dye.

At length he gave o'r and suddenly swore,  
He'd kill her no more that night,  
He bid her adieu, for certain he knew  
She wou'd tempt him to more delight :

But



But when they did part it went to her heart,  
For at length he had taught her to cry,  
O kill me, kill me once again,  
For now I am prepared to dye.

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*The Protecting Brewer.*

**A** Brewer may be a Burgeſſs grave,  
And carry the matter ſo fine and ſo brave,  
That he the better may play the knave,  
Which no body can deny.

A Brewer may be a Parliament-man  
For there the knavery firſt began,  
And Brew moſt cunning Plots he can,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may put on a *Nabal* face,  
And march to the wars with ſuch a grace,  
That he may get a Captains place,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may ſpeak ſo monſtrous well,  
That he may raiſe ſtrange things to tell,  
And ſo be made a Colonel,  
Which nobody, &c.

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A Brewer may make his foes to flee,  
And raise his fortunes, so that he  
Lieutenant General may be,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer he may be all in all,  
And raise his powers both great and small,  
That he may be a Lord General,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may be like a Fox in a Cub,  
And teach a Lecture out of a Tub,  
And give the wicked world a rub,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer by's Excise and Rate,  
Will promise his Army he knows what,  
And set it upon the Colledge-gate,  
Which nobody, &c.

Methinks I hear one say to me,  
Pray why may nor a Brewer be,  
Lord-Chancelour o'th' Univerlity,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may be as bold as a Hector,  
When he has drunk off his cup of Nectar,  
And a Brewer may be a Lord Protector,  
Which no body, &c.

Now

Now here remains the strangest thing,  
 How this Brewer about his liquor doth bring,  
 To be an Emperour, or a King,  
 Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may do what he will,  
 Rob the Church and State, to sell  
 His soul unto the diuel of hell,  
 Which no body can deny.

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### *Cromwel's Coronation.*

**O** *Liver, Oliver*, take up thy Crown,  
 For now thou hast made three Kingdoms thine  
 Call thee a Conclave of thy own creation, (own  
 To ride us to ruine, who dare thee oppose :  
 Whilst we thy good people are at thy devotion,  
 To fall down and worship thy terrible Nose.

To thee and thy Mermydons *Oliver*, we,  
 Do tender thy homage as fits thy degree,  
 We'll pay thee Extize and Taxes, God bless us,  
 With fear and contrition, as penitents should,  
 Whilst you, great sirs, vouchsafe to oppress us,  
 Not daring so much as in private to scold.

(Sword.  
 We bow down, as cow'd down, to thee & thy  
 For now thou hast made thy self *Englands* sole Lord,  
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By mandate of Scripture, and heavenly warrant,  
The Oath of Allegiance, and Covenant too;  
To *Charles* & his Kingdoms thou art Heir apparent,  
And born to rule over the Turk and the Jew.

Then *Oliver, Oliver*, get up and ride, (side,  
Whilst Lords, Knights, & Gentry, do run by thy  
The Maulsters and Brewers account it their glory,  
Great God of the Grain-tub's compared to thee:  
All Rebels of old are lost in their story,  
Till thou Plod'st along to the *Paddington*-tree.

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### The Drunkard.

When I do travel in the night  
The Brewers dog my brains do's byte,  
My heart grows heavy, and my heels grow light,  
And I like my humour well, well,  
And I like my humour well.

When with upsie freeze I line my head,  
My Hostis Sellar is my bed,  
The worlds our own, and the divel is dead,  
And I like, &c.

Then I'll be talking of matters of Court,  
About the taking of some Fort,  
Then I'll swear a lye is true report,  
And I like, &c.

Then

Then I'll be talking of matters of State,  
Of News from *Pallatinate*,  
What Princes are confederate,  
And I like, &c.

If my Hostis bids me pay my score,  
And stand if I can, I call her whore,  
I reel and tumble out of her doore,  
And I like, &c.

That I came from the War, I roar and swear  
I made a fellow die for fear,  
How many I killed that I never came near,  
And I like, &c.

If I meet with a Taylors Stall,  
And the stones with my nose with fighting fall,  
We kiss and are friends, and so there's all,  
And I like, &c.

With an Indian Chimney in my hand,  
Having a Boy at my command,  
Like a brave Commander up I stand,  
And I like, &c.

Then I juffle with every post I meet,  
I kick the dunghills about the street,  
I trample the kennels about my feet,  
And I like, &c.

The Constable I curse and ban,  
That bids me stand if I be a man,  
I tell him he bids me do more than I can,  
And I like, &c.

If I fall to the ground, and the watchmen see  
And ask of me, if I foxed be?  
I tell them 'tis my humility,  
And I like, &c.

Then home I go, and my Wife doth skold  
She bawls the more I bid her hold,  
It is my patience makes her bold,  
And I like, &c.

Then I grope to bed, but miss the way,  
Forget me where my Cloaths, I lay,  
I call for drink by break of day,  
And I like my humour.

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*Song of Sir Eglamore.*

Sir *Eglamore*, that valiant Knight, fa, la, la, la, la,  
He put on his Sword, & he went to fight, fa, la,  
And as he rid o'r hill and dale,  
All armed in his Coat of Maile,  
Fa, la, la, la, fa, la, la, lalla, la.

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There

There starts a huge Dragon out of his Den, fa, la,  
 Which had kill'd I know not how many men, fa, la,  
 But when he see Sir *Eglamore*,  
 If you had but heard how the Dragon did roar,  
 Fa, la, la, &c.

This Dragon he had a plaguy hard hide, fa, la, la,  
 Which could the strongest steel abide, fa, la, la,  
 He could not enter him with cuts,  
 Which vex'd the Knight to his heart bloud & guts,  
 Fa, la, la, &c.

All the trees in the wood did shake, fa, la, la,  
 Horses did tremble, and man did quake, fa, la, la,  
 The birds betook them to their peeping,  
 'Twould have made a mans heart to fall a weeping,  
 Fa, la, la.

But now it was no time to fear, fa, la, la,  
 For it was time to fight Dog, fight Bear, fa, la, la,  
 But as the Dragon yawning did fall,  
 He thrust his Sword down hilt and all,  
 Fa, la, la.

For as the Knight in Choller did burn, fa, la, la,  
 He ought the Dragon a shrewd good turn, fa, la, la,  
 In at his mouth his Sword he sent,  
 The hilt appeared at his fundament.  
 Fa, la, la.

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Then the Dragon, like a Coward, began to flee, fa, la,  
Into his Den that was hard by, fa, la, la,  
There he laid him down and roar'd,  
The Knight was sorry for his Sword,  
Fa, la, la,

The Sword it was a right good blade, fa, la, la,  
As ever Turk or Spaniard made, fa, la, la,  
I, for my part, do forsake it,  
He that will fetch it, let him take it,  
Fa, la, la.

When all was done, to the Alehouse he went, fa, la,  
And presently his two pence he spent, fa, la, la,  
He was so hot with tugging with the Dragon,  
That nothing would quench him but a hole flagon,  
Fa, la, la.

Well, now let us pray for the King & Queen, fa, la,  
And eke in London there may be seen, fa, la, la,  
As many Knights, and as many more,  
And all as good as Sir Eglamore,  
Fa, la, la, la, fa, la, la, la, lalla, la.

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### The Rump.

IF none be offended with the Scent,  
Though I foul my mouth, I'll be content

To sing of the Rump of a Parliament,  
Which no body can deny.

I have somtimes fed on a Rump in Soufe,  
And a man may imagine the Rump of a Loufe;  
But till now was ne'r heard of the Rump of a house,  
Which no body, &c.

There's a rump of beef, and the rump of a goose  
And a rump whose neck was hang'd in a noose;  
But ours is a Rump can play fast and loose,  
Which no body, &c.

A Rump had *Jane Shore*, and a Rump *Messaleen*,  
And a Rump had *Antonies* resolute Queen;  
But such a Rump as ours is, never was seen,  
Which no body, &c.

Two short years together we English have scarce  
Been rid of thy rampant Nose (old *Mars*,)  
But now thou hast got a prodigious Arse,  
Which no body, &c.

When the parts of the body did fall out,  
Some votes it is like did pass for the Snout;  
But that the Rump should be King was never a  
Which no body, &c. (doubt

A Cat has a Rump, and a Cat has nine lives,  
Yet when her head's off, her Rump never strives;  
But our Rump from the grave hath made two re-  
Which no body, &c. (trives,

That the Rump may all their enemies quail,  
They'll borrow the Divels Coat of Mayl,  
And all to defend their estate in Tayl,  
Which no body, &c.

But thought heir scale now seem to be th'upper, (per,  
There's no need of the charge of a thanksgiving sup-  
For if they be the Rump, the Armies their Crupper,  
Which no body, &c.

There is a saying belongs to the Rump,  
Which is good although it be worn to the stump  
That on the Buttock, I'll give thee a thump,  
Which no body, &c.

There's a Proverb in which the rump claims a part,  
Which hath in it more of Sence than of Art,  
That for all you can do I care not a fart,  
Which no body, &c.

There's another Proverb gives the Rump for his  
But Alderman *Atkins* made it a Jest, (Crest,  
That of all kind of lucks shitten luck is the best,  
Which no body, &c.

There's another Proverb that never will fail,  
That the good Rump will do when they prevail,  
Is to give us a flap with a Fox-tail,  
Which no body, &c.

There is a saying, which is made by no fools,  
I never can hear on't but my heart it cools,  
That the Rump will spend all we have in close-  
Which no body, &c. (fools,

There's an observation wise and deep,  
Which, without an Onion, will make me to weep,  
That flies will blow Maggots in the Rump of a  
Which no body, &c. (sheep,

And some, that can see the wood from the trees,  
Say, this Sanctified Rump in time we may leese :  
For the Cooks do challenge the rumps for their Fees,  
Which no body, &c.

When the Rump do sit, we'll make it our moan,  
That the Reason be'nacted, if there be not one,  
Why a Fart hath a tongue, and a Fielt hath none,  
Which no body, &c.

And whil'st within the walls they lurk,  
To satishe us, will be a good work,  
Who hath most Religion, the Rump or the Turk,  
Which no body, &c.

A Rump's a Fag end, like the baulk of a furrow,  
And is to the whole like the jail to the burrough,  
'Tis the bran that is left when the meal is run thro-  
Which no body, &c. (rough,

Consider the world, the heav'n is the head on't,  
The earth is the middle, and we men are fed on't,  
But hell is the rump, and no more can be said on't,  
Which no body can deny.'

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*The Red-coats Triumph.*

Come Drawer, and fill us about some wine,  
Let's merrily tippie, the day is our own ;  
We'll have our delights, let the Country go pine,  
Let the King and the Kingdom groan :  
The Crown is our own, and so shall continue,  
We'll baffle Monarchy quite,  
We'll drink of the Kingdoms Revenue,  
And sacrifice all to Delight ;  
'Tis power that brings us all to be Kings,  
And we'll all be crown'd by our might.

A fig for Divinity Lectures, and Law,  
And all that true Loyalty do pretend ;  
We will by the Sword keep Kingdoms in awe,  
And our Powers shall never end ;  
The Church and the State we'll turn into liquor,  
And spend a whole town in a day :

We'll melt all the Bodkins the quicker  
 Into Sack, and drink them away ;  
 We'll keep the demians of the Bishops and Deans,  
 And over the Presbyter sway.

Now nimble Saint *Patrick* is sunk in a bog,  
 And his Country-men sadly cry, *O bone, O bone ;*  
 Saint *Andrew* and his Kirkmen are lost in a fog,  
 And now we are the Saints alone ;  
 Thus on our Equals and Superiours we trample,  
 And *Jockie* our stirrop shall hold,  
 The Citie's our Mule for example,  
 Whilst we will in plenty be rou'd ;  
 Each delicate dish shall but eccho our wish,  
 And our drink shall be cordial Gold.

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### *The Bulls Feather.*

**I**T chanced not long ago, as I was walking,  
 An eccho did bring me where two were a talking :  
 'Twas a man said to his wife, die had I rather,  
 Than to be cornuted, and wear the Bulls feather,

Then presently she reply'd, Sweet, art thou jealous ?  
 Thou canst not play *Vulcan* before I play *Venus* :  
 Thy fancies are foolish, such follies to gather :  
 There's many an honest man has worn the Bulls Fea  
 (ther.  
 Though

Though it be invisible, let no man it scorn,  
Though it be a new feather made of an old horn,  
He that disdains it in heart or mind either  
May be the more subject to wear the Bulls Feather.

He that lives discontent, or in despair,  
And feareth false measure, because his wife's fair:  
His thoughts are inconstant, much like winter wea-  
(ther,  
Though one or two want it, he shall have a Feather.

Bulls Feathers are common as *Ergo* in Schools,  
And only contemned by those that are fools:  
Why should a Bulls Feather cause any unrest,  
Since neighbours fare alwaies is counted the best?

Those women wh' are fairest, are likely to give it;  
And husbands that have them, are apt to believe it.  
Some men though their wives should seem for to  
(tedder,  
They would play the kind neighbour, and give the  
(Bulls feather.

Why should we repine that our wives are so kind,  
Since we that are husbands are of the same mind?  
Shall we give them feathers, and think to go free?  
Believe it, believe it, that hardly will be.

For he that disdains my Bulls feather to day,  
May light of a Lass that will play him foul play,  
There's



There's ne'r a proud gallant that treads on Cows  
 (Leather,  
 But he may be cornuted, and wear the Bulls feather.

Though Beer of that brewing, I never did drink,  
 Yet be not displeas'd if I speak what I think,  
 Scarce ten in a hundred, believe it, believe it,  
 But either they'll have it, or else they will give it.

Then let me advise all those that do pine,  
 For fear that false jealousie shorten their time : (very  
 That disease will torment them worse than any fear  
 Then let all be contented to wear the Bulls feather.

### *Old England turned New.*

**Y**ou talk of *New-England*, I truly believe  
 Old *England* is grown new, & doth us deceive,  
 I'll ask you a question or two, by your leave,  
 And is not old *England* grown new?

Where are your old Souldiers with slashes and skars  
 That never used drinking in no time of wars,  
 Nor shedding of blood in mad drunken jars?  
 And is not, &c.

New Captains are come that never did fight,  
 But with Pots in the day, and Punks in the Night,  
 And all their chief care is to keep their swords bright,  
 And is not, &c. Where

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Where are your old Swords, your bills, & your bows,  
Your Bucklers and Targets that never feared blows?  
They are turned to Steelettoes, with other fair shews,  
And is not, &c.

Where are your old Courtiers, that used to ride  
With forty blew-coats and footmen beside?  
They are turned to six horses a coach with a guide,  
And is not, &c.

And what is become of your old fashion Cloaths,  
Your long-sided breeches, and your trunk hose?  
They are turned to new fashions, but what, the Lord  
And is not, &c. knows,

Your Gallant & his Taylor some half year together,  
To fit a new suit to a new hat and feather,  
Of Gold, or of Silver, silk, cloath, stuff, or leather,  
And is not, &c.

(locks,  
We have new fashion'd beards, and new fashion'd  
And new fashion'd hats for your new pated blocks,  
And more new diseases besides the French pox,  
And is not, &c.

New houses are built, and the old ones pull'd down,  
Untill the new houses sell all the old ground,  
And then the house stands like a horse in the pound,  
And is not, &c.

New

New fashions in houses, new fashions at table,  
 The old servants discharged, the new are more able  
 And every old custome is but an old fable,  
 And is not, &c.

(paces  
 New trickings, new goings, new measures, new  
 New heads for your men, for your women new faces  
 And twenty new tricks to mend their bad cases,  
 And is not, &c.

New tricks in the Law, new tricks in the holds,  
 New bodies they have, they look for new souls  
 When the money is paid for building of Pauls,  
 And is not, &c.

Then talk you no more of *New-England*,  
*New-England* is where *Old England* did stand, (man'd  
 New furnish'd, new fashion'd, new woman'd, new  
 And is not *Old England* grown *New*.

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### *A merry Song.*

COME Drawer, turn about the bowle  
 Till every soul has made a scrowle  
 As long as his arm:

Again, my boy, be filling still  
 Till every will has had his fill,  
 Twill keep us from harm:

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For he that is copious, and doth freight with Sack,  
Has the world at will, and doth nothing lack;  
He's richest then can drink off a Tun,  
The bravest men that are under the Sun;  
Now the world is so giddy, that it scarce knows  
To smell out the truth now it has lost its nose:  
That has left behind a Pitiful case,  
It smells, you'll find, in every place.

Then since he is happiest that drinks the most,  
Joy, call mine Host, that honest tost,  
He shall have his share;  
For interest we'll give him drink,  
Now wine is chink, yet let him think  
Our dealing is faire;  
For I'll maintain his reckoning's good.  
Though we had drunk on tick since *Noah's* flood,  
We'll clear it all in *Platoes* year,  
You'll hear we shall be *Catoes* there:  
Then he's an ass will spare for Chalk  
To purchase Sack; what e'r you talk,  
He's not great, nor rich, nor wise;  
An errant Cheat does Wine despise.

A Scottish Covenant we'll take  
To burn at stake, if not forsake

The old heresie  
Of bowzing to a petticoat,  
If healths of note we could not vote

Past any she,

They

They are but blazes, and soon are gone,  
 Fine trifles for us to play upon :  
 When we have nought, or little to do,  
 We'll have 'um brought, and tickle 'um too :  
 Mean time let us drink a Carouse to those  
 Who are neither the French nor the Spaniards for  
 For all our treasure is there in their Mines,  
 There's no pleasure here but in their wines.

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*The Contented.*

**P**RAY why should any man complain,  
 Or why disturb his breast or brain  
 At this new alteration ?  
 Since that which has been done's no more  
 Than what has oft been done before,  
 And that which will be done again,  
 As long as there are ambitious men,  
 That strive for domination.

In this mad age there's nothing firm,  
 All things have period, and their term,  
 Their rise and declination ;  
 Those gaudy nothings we admire,  
 Which get above and shine like fire,  
 Are empty vapours raised from ground,  
 Their mock-shine past th'are quickly down,  
 Must fall like exhalation.

But still we Commons must be made  
 A gaull'd, a lame, thin hackney Jade,  
 And all by turns will ride us;  
 This side, or that, no matter which,  
 For both do ride with spur and switch,  
 Till we are tired, and then at last  
 We stumble, and our riders cast,  
 'Cause they'd not feed nor guide us.

Th'insulting Clergy quite mistook,  
 Thinking that Kingdoms pass by book,  
 Or Crowns were got by prating;  
 'Tis not the black coat, but the red,  
 Has power to make, or be the head;  
 Nor is it oaths, nor words, nor tears,  
 But Musquets and full Bandoleers  
 Have power of legislating.

The Lawyers must lay by their books,  
 And study *Monck* much more than *Cooks*;  
 The Sword is the Learned Pleader:  
 Reports and Judgements will not do't,  
 But 'tis Dragoons and Horse and Foot;  
 Words are but wind, but Swords come home,  
 A stout tongued Lawyer is but a mome,  
 Compared to a stout file-leader.

Each wit and valour root all things,  
 They pull down, and they set up Kings,

All Law is in their bosoms ;  
That side is alwaies right that's strong,  
And that that's beaten must be wrong :  
And he that thinks it is not so,  
Unless he's sure to beat 'um too,  
He's but a fool to oppose 'm.

Let them impose taxes and rates,  
'Tis but on them that have estates,  
Not such as thou and I are :  
But it concerns those wordlings which  
At least are made, or else grow rich,  
Such as have studied all their daies  
The saving and the thriving waies,  
To be the mules of power.

If they'l reform the Church or State,  
We'll ne'r be troubled much thereat :  
Let each man take his opinion,  
If we don't like the Church, you know  
Taverns are free, and there we'l go ;  
And every one will be  
As clearly unconcern'd as we,  
They'l ne'r fight for domination.



*The indifferent.*

**W**Hat an Afs is he  
Waits a womans leifure  
For a minutes pleasure,  
And perhaps may be  
Gull'd at last, and lose her,  
What an afs is he ?

Shall I sigh and die  
'Cause a maid denies me,  
And that she may try me,  
Suffer patiently ?  
O no ! Fate shall tye me,  
To such cruelty.

Love is all my life,  
For it keeps me doing :  
Yet my love and wooing  
Is not for a Wife ;  
It is good eschewing  
Warring, care, and strife.

What need I to care  
For a womans favour ?  
If another have her,

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Why

Why should I despair,  
When for gold and labour  
I can have my share.

If I fancy one,  
And that one do love me,  
Yet deny to prove me,  
Farewel, I am gone.  
She can never move me,  
Farewel, I am gone.

If I chance to see  
One that's brown, I love her,  
Till I see another,  
That is browner than she,  
For I am a lover  
Of my liberty.

Every day I change,  
And at once love many,  
Yet not tied to any,  
For I love to range,  
And if one should stay me  
I should think it strange.

What though she be old,  
So that she have riches,  
Youth and Form bewitches,

But 'tis store of Gold  
Cures lascivious itches,  
So the Criticks hold.

## A West-country Mans Voyage to New-England.

**M**Y Masters give audience, and listen to me,  
And streight che will tell you where che have  
be :

Che have been in *New-England*, but now cham come  
o'er,

Itch do think they shal catch me go thither no more.

Before che went o'er Lord how Voke did tell  
Now vishes did grow, and how birds did dwell  
All one mong, t'other in the wood and the water,  
Che thought had been true, but che find no such mat-  
(ter.

When first che did land che mazed me quite,  
And 'twas of all daies on a Satterday night,  
Che wondred to see the strong building were there,  
'Twas all like the standing at *Bartholmew* Fair.

Well, that night che slept till near Prayer time,  
Next morning che wondred to hear no Bells chime,  
And when che had ask'd the reason, che found  
'Twas because they had never a Bell in the Town.

At last being warned to Church to repair, (prayer,  
 Where che did think certain che sho'd hear some  
 But the Parson there no such matter did teach,  
 They scorn'd to pray, they were all able to preach.

The virst thing they did, a Zalm they did sing,  
 I pluckt out my Zalm book, which with me did bring  
 Che was troubled to seek him, 'cause they call him by  
 name, (same.  
 But they had got a new Song to the tune of the

When Sermon was done was a child to baptize  
 About sixteen years old, as volk did surmise,  
 And no Godfather nor Godmother, yet 'twas quiet  
 and still,  
 The Priest durst not cross him for fear of his ill will.

A Sirra, quoth I, and to dinner che went,  
 And gave the Lord thanks for what he had sent ;  
 Next day was a wedding, the brideman my friend,  
 He kindly invites me, so thither I wend.

But this, above all, to me wonder did bring,  
 To see a Magistrate marry, and had ne'r a ring ;  
 Che thought they would call me the woman to give  
 But che think he stole her, for he askt no man leave.

Now this was new *Dorchester* as they told me,  
 A Town very famous in all that Country;

They

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They said 'twas new building, I grant it was true,  
Yet methinks old *Dorchester* as fine as the new.

She staid there among them till she was weary at  
heart,

At length there came shipping, she got leave to de-  
part:

But when all was ended she was coming away,  
She had threescore shillings for swearing to pay.

But when she saw that, an oath more she swore,  
She would stay no more longer to swear on the score;  
She bid farewell to those Fowlers and Fishers,  
So God bless old *England* and all his well wishers.

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*A medicine for the Quartan Ague.*

**T**He Aphorisms of *Galen* I count but as straws,  
Profound Pispot-peepers be you all mute,  
The old quartan feaver breaks all Physick-Laws,  
To help to cure it I think it is boot:  
Perusing of late a wormeaten book,  
Brought hither from *Cynthia* down in *Charles's* wain;  
A curious medicine out thence I took,  
To cure the quartan Feaver again.

First choose a Physitian that will not exceed  
*Probatum est*, speaking no more than he knows,

Who hath more skill in his tongue than his head;  
 Who his Potions on Patients *gratis* bestows,  
 Three Midsummer moons in one, let him pray  
 To *Apollo*, and the Moon being full in the wane,  
 And *Scola Salerna* twice backward to say,  
 And it will cure the quartan Feaver again.

His Patients water then let him cast  
 In a pure Urinal of old *August* Ice,  
 And diet him strictly, no gross meats to eat,  
 But feed him with fancies, and antick device,  
 To walk every morning some eight miles or more,  
 Before *Phæbus* rises, in the sunshine,  
 And before he be up to be seen without door,  
 And 'twill cure, &c.

Then let him take from him nine drops and a half  
 Of purified bloud, but pierce not the skin,  
 Only open a vein in the heel of the calf,  
 Some half a year before the fit do begin;  
 To sweat eleven minutes in an Oven let him lye,  
 Heat with a North wind, and a shower of rain,  
 And sleep every night with one half of an eye,  
 And 'twill cure, &c.

To keep his body alwaies soluble and loose,  
 That he shall never fear to be subject to be bound,  
 Let him drink *Woodcocks* water in the quill of a  
 Goose,

And

And alwaies untruſs when he goes to ground ;  
Thus being prepared, let the Doctor proceed  
With all other ingredients to conquer his pain,  
And profeſs more Art than ere he did read,

To cure the quartan, &c.

Then let him take the wind of the wing of a Crane,  
As he flies over *Caucasus* hill,  
With the precious ſtone was in Gyges his Ring,  
Mix them with three turns of an honeſt windmil,  
Boyl theſe altogether from a pint to a quart  
In a Travellers mouth whoſe tongue cannot feigne,  
And having new din'd give him this next his heart,  
And 'twill cure, &c.

Then three handfull take of Popes holy ſhadow,  
When *Sol* is new entred into the dog-daies,  
Three ſkreeches of an Owl four kaws of a Jackdaw,  
With the brains and the heads of three ninepenny  
Fry theſe together within a meal-five, (nailes,  
With the ſweat of the ſouth ſide of a French bean,  
And this to his Patient Morn & Even let him give,  
And 'twill cure, &c.

Take three merry thoughts of a Bride the firſt night  
She's to lye with her Groom, to purge melancholly,  
Three gingles of the ſilver ſpur of a field Knight,  
Four Puritan faces, not counterſeit holy,



Take three youthful capers of an old Oxe,  
 And thorough a joynd stool them let him strain,  
 And then drink the juice through a tail of a Fox,  
 And it will cure, &c.

Moreover, because I strive to be brief,  
 Take three honest thrums of a weavers shuttle,  
 Three snips of a Taylors sheers that's no thief,  
 A cut-purses thumb, with his horn and his whittle,  
 The mind of a miller that ne'r took a corn,  
 More than his due in grinding of grain,  
 Burn these all together with Jeeny red stalks,  
 And 'twill cure, &c.

And lastly, this counsel my old Author gives,  
 Take the bloud of a Beetle in the ayre as she flies,  
 Who, like a Physitian, of excrement lives, (eyes:  
 And therewith let Empericks anoynt his quick  
 This being practised, he shall see soon  
 All natural mysteries perfect and plain,  
 And know as much Physick as the man in the Moon  
 To cure the quartan feaver again.

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*A Catch.*

**N**OW I am married, Sir *John* I'll not curse,  
 He joyn's us together for better, for worse;  
 But if I were single I tell you plain,  
 I would be advised ere I marri'd again.

## Of Levelling.

I Have reason to fly thee, & not to sit down by thee,  
For I hate to behold one so fawcy and bold,  
That derides and contemns his superiours ;

Your Madams and Lords,  
With such manerly words,  
With gestures that be  
Fit for our degree  
Are things that we and you  
Do claim as our due

From all those that are our inferiours, (know,  
For from the begining there were Princes we  
'Tis your Levellers do hate 'cause they cannot be  
(so.

All titles of honour were at first in the Donors,  
But being granted away by that persons stay,  
Where he wore a small soul or a bigger,

There's a necessity  
That there should be a degree,  
Though *Dick*, *Tom*, and *Jack*,  
Will serve you and your pack,  
Where 'tis due we'll afford

A Sir *John*, or my Lord,

Honest *Dick*'s name is enough for a digger ;  
He that hath a strong purse may all things be, or  
Be valiant, and wise, and religious too. (do,  
We

We have cause to adore that man that hath store  
 Though a boor or a sot, there's something to be got  
 Though he be neither honest nor witty,

Make him high, let him rule,  
 He'll be playing the fool,  
 And transgress, then we'll squeeze  
 Him for fines and for fees,  
 And we shall gain

By the vanities of his brain,  
 'Tis the fools Cap that maintains the City,  
 If honour be but air, 'tis in common, and as fit  
 For the fool, or the Clown, as the champion or wit

Then why may not we be of a different degree,  
 And each man aspire to be greater and higher  
 Than his wiser or honest brother,

Since Fortune and Nature  
 Their favours do scatter,  
 This hath Valour, that Wit  
 To his wealth, nor is it fit  
 That one should have all,  
 For then what would befall

He that is born not to one nor the other? (chatte

Though honor were a prize from a'thirst, now it's

And as meer huntible now as your ware, lands  
 (cattle

But in this we agree to live quiet and free,  
 To drink Sack and submit, and not shew your wit  
 By your prating, but silence and thinking;

Let the Presbyter Jews  
Read Diurnals and News,  
And lard their discourse  
With a Covenant that's worse ;  
That which pleaseth me best  
Is a Song or a Jest,  
And my obedience I'll shew it by my drinking ;  
And the name I desire is an honest good fellow,  
And that man hath no worth that won't some-  
(times be mellow.

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*In praise of a Mistresse.*

I Have the fairest *Non-perel*,  
The fairest that ever was seen,  
And had not *Venus* been in the way,  
She had been *Beautics Queen*.

Her lovely looks, her comely grace,  
I will describe at large ;  
God *Cupid* put her in his books,  
And of this *Jem* took charge.

The *Gracian Helen* was a Moore,  
Compar'd to my dear Saint,  
And fair fac'd *Syrens* beauty poor,  
And yet she doth not paint.

*Andromeda*

*Andromeda*, whom *Perseus* lov'd,  
Was foul were she in fight,  
Her lineaments so well approv'd,  
In praise of her I'll write.

Her hair not like the Golden wyre,  
But black as any Crow,  
Her brows so beetl'd all admire,  
Her forehead wondrous low.

Her squinting, staring, gogling eyes  
Poor Children do affright,  
Her nose is of the *Saracens* size ;  
O she's a matchless wight.

Her Oven-mouth wide open stands,  
And teeth like rotten pease,  
Her Swan-like neck my heart commands,  
And breasts all bit with Fleas.

Her tawny dugs, like two great hills,  
Hang low like to her waste,  
Her body huge, like two wind-mills,  
And yet she's wondrous chaste.

Her shoulders of so large a breadth,  
She'd make an excellent Porter,  
And yet her belly carries most,  
If any man could sort her.

No Shoulder of Mutton like her hand,  
For broadness thick and fat,  
With a pocky Mange upon her wrist:  
Oh *Jove*! how love I that?

Her belly Tun-like to behold,  
Her bush doth all excell,  
The thing that, by all men extoll'd,  
Is wider than a well.

Her brawny buttocks, plump and round,  
Much like a Horse of War,  
With speckled thighs, scab'd and scarce sound,  
Her knees like Bakers are.

Her legs are like the Elephants,  
The calf and small both one,  
Her ankles they together meet,  
And still knock bone to bone.

Her pretty feet not 'bove fifteens,  
So splay'd as never was,  
An excellent Usher for a man  
That walks the dewy grass.

Thus have you heard my Mistress prai'sd,  
And yet no flattery us'd,  
Pray tell me, is she not of worth?  
Let her not be abus'd.

If any to her have a mind,  
He doth me wondrous wrong,  
For as she's beautious, so she's chaste,  
And thus concludes my Song.

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### *Sensual Delight.*

**A**Re you grown so melancholly,  
That you think of nought but folly?  
Are you sad, are you mad, are you worse,  
Do you think want of chinck is your curse?  
Do you love for to have longer life, or a grave?  
Then this will cure you.

First I would have a bag of Gold,  
That should ten thousand pieces hold,  
And all that in your lap would I poure  
For to spend on your friend or your whore, (like  
For to play away at dice, or to shift you from you  
And this will cure you.

Next I would have a soft bed made,  
Wherein a Virgin should be laid  
That will play any way you devise,  
That will stick like an itch to your thighs,  
That will bill like a dove, lie beneath or above,  
And this will cure you.



Next the bowl that *Jove* divine  
Drunk Nectar in, fill'd up with wine  
And all that, like a Greek, you should quaff  
Till your cheeks they look red, and you laugh,  
Unto *Ceres*, and to *Venus*, unto *Bacchus*, and *Selenus*,  
And this will cure you.

Next seven Eunuchs should appear  
Singing in Spheare-like manner here  
In the praise of the wayes of delight,  
*Venus* can use with man in the night,  
When she seemeth to adorn *Vulsans* head with a  
And this will cure you. (horn.

But if no gold nor women can,  
Nor wine, nor Song make merry man,  
Let the Batt be your mate and the Owle,  
Let the pain in the brain make you howl:  
Let the Pox be your friend, and the Plague be your  
And this will cure you. (cad.

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On Captain Hick his Oxford Feasts.

Sublimeſt diſcretions, have clud for expreſſions  
Which are muſter'd up here by our Captaine;  
Some ſtaler, ſome milder, ſome tamer, ſome wilder,  
And all in clean Linnen are wrapt in:

Oxford

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Oxford University approves her self witty,  
 In Jest of more jovial concerning,  
 And jocose Apprehensions prefer their Inventions,  
 Before all the rest of her learning.

3

Here is choice, here is store, Eight Hundred or more  
 The Cream, and the Crown of all Jestings;  
 All brave souls be Guests at this Banquet of Jest  
*Lucullus* had never such feasting.

4

Such wit here's exprest in every choice Jest  
 They'll make *Mellancholliens* frolick,  
 And all those to forget to groan, and to fret,  
 That are troubled with Stone and the Chollick.

5

Will Sumners and Scoggin with Archee be Jogging  
 Your Quirks and your Quibbles are folly:  
 No such rare Antidotes, ere took flight from the  
 'Gainst the poyson of black *Mellancholly*. (throats,

6

One reading a score did with laughter give o're  
 Or his broad sides had else split in sunder;  
 At next Ordinary he with repeating of three  
 Made the wits at the board to knock under.

7

These will shorten the Journeys of Clarks and At-  
 With wits most refin'd Recreations,

(turnies,

And

And when they are far remote from the Barr  
We'll cheer up their hearts in Vacations.

8 (trades

Now all you brave Blades leave your Shops & your  
Your lying and solemn protesting,  
And if ever you'll thrive cease to drink, swear, & —  
And study the science of Jestings.

9

To Gratifie Jestors sinks Angells to Testers  
But here without fear of Expences,  
You may pick, you may chuse, you may take or refuse  
As suits with the moods, and the tences.

10

At home and abroad on our walks or the Road  
These Cordials will prove Efficacious,  
Search the Books of all Ages, & ransack their Pages  
You shall find nothing half so Solacious.

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*A Catch.*

**A** Pox on the Jaylor and on his fat Jole,  
There's liberty lies in the bottom of th'Bole,  
A fig for what ever the Rascal can do,  
Our Dungeon is deep, but our Cups are so too;  
Then Drink we round in despite of our foes,  
And make our hard Irons cry clink in the close:  
Now laugh we and quaff we, untill our rich Noses  
Grow red, and contest with our chapplets of Roses.

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*Phillis,*

Phillis, *her Lamentation.*

**M**Y Lodging is on the cold ground,  
 And very hard is my Fare ;  
 But that which troubles me most is  
 The unkindness of my Dear :

*Yet still I cry O turn Love,  
 And I prethee Love turn to me ;  
 For thou art the man that I long for,  
 And alack what remedie !*

I'll Crown thee with Garlands of straw then,  
 And I'll marry thee with a Rush Ring ;  
 My frozen hopes shall thaw then,  
 And merrily we will sing,  
*O turn to me my dear Love,  
 And I prethee Love turn to me ;  
 For thou art the man that alone can'st  
 Procure my libertie.*

But if thou wilt harden thy Heart still,  
 And be deaf to my pitiful moan,  
 Then I must endure the smart still,  
 And tumble in straw alone :  
*Yet still I cry O turn Love,  
 And I prethee Love turn to me ;  
 For thou art the man that alone art  
 The cause of my miserie.*

*The Song of the Redlers.*

FROM the fair *Lavinian* Shore  
I your Markets come to store,  
Musc not though so far I dwell  
And my wares come here to sell :  
Such is the secret hunger of Gold,  
Then come to my Pack,  
While I cry, what d' ye lack,  
What d' ye buy? for here it is to be sold.

I have Beauty, Honour, and Grace,  
Fortune, favour, Time and Place;  
And what else thou wouldst request,  
Even the thing thou likest best:  
First let me have but a touch of thy Gold,  
Then come to me Lad  
Thou shalt have what thy Dad  
Never gave; for here it is to be sold.

Madam, come see what ye lack,  
Here's Complexion in my pack;  
White and red you may have in this place  
To hide your old ill wrinkled face.  
First let me have a touch of thy Gold,  
Then thou shalt seem  
Like a Wench of fifteen,  
Although you be threescore year old.

*Ha, Ha, Ha, Ha, Ha.*

**C**alm was the Evening and clear was the skie,  
 And the sweet budding flowers did spring,  
 When all alone went *Aminor* and I  
 To hear the sweet Nightingale sing :  
 I sate, and he lay'd him down by me,  
 And scarcely his breath he could draw,  
*But when with a fear he began to come near,*  
*He was dasht with a ha ha ha ha ha, &c.*

He blusht to himself, and laid still a while,  
 'Twas his modesty curb'd his desire ;  
 But streight I convinc'd all his fears with a smile,  
 And added new flames to his fire :  
 Ah ! *Silvia*, said he, you are cruel  
 To keep your poor lover in awe  
*Then once more he prest with his hand to my breast,*  
*But was dasht with a ha ha ha ha ha, &c.*

I knew 'twas his passion that caused his fear,  
 And therefore I Pitied his case ;  
 I whisper'd him softly, there's no body near,  
 And lay'd my Cheek close to his Face :  
 But as he grew bolder and bolder  
 A Shepherd came by us and saw,  
*And straight as our bliss, began with Kiss,*  
*He laughs out with a ha ha ha ha ha, &c.*

*In praise of Sack.*

**F**etch me *Ben. Johnsons* scull, and fill't with Sack  
Rich as the same he drank, when the whole pack  
Of jolly sisters pledg'd, and did agree  
It was no sin to be as drunk as he :  
If there be any weakness in the wine,  
There's virtue in a Cup to mak't divine ;  
This muddy drench of Ale does taste too much  
Of earth, the Mault retains a scurvy touch  
Of the dull hand that sows it ; and I fear  
There's Heresie in Hops ; give *Calvin Beer*,  
And his precise Disciples, such as think  
There's Powder-treason in all *Spanish* drink ;  
Call Sack an Idoll, nor will kiss the Cup,  
For fear their Conventicle will be blown up  
With superstition : give to these Brew-house alms,  
Whose best mirth is Six shilling Beer, and Psalms ;  
Let me rejoyce in sprightly Sack, that can  
Create a brain even in an empty pan.  
*Canary* ! it's thou that dost inspire  
And actuate the soul with heavenly fire ;  
That thou sublim'st the Genius making wit,  
Scorn earth, and such as love, or live by it ;  
Thou mak'st us Lords of Regions large and fair,  
Whil'st our conceits build Castles in the air :



Since fire, earth, air, thus thy inferiours be,  
 Henceforth I'll know no Element but thee;  
 Thou precious *Elixir* of all Grapes!  
 Welcome be thee our Muse begins her scapes,  
 Such is the worth of Sack; I am (me thinks)  
 In the *Exchequer* now, hark now it chinks:  
 And do esteem my venerable self  
 As brave a fellow, as if all the pelf  
 Were sure mine own; and I have thought a way  
 Already how to spend it; I would pay  
 No debts, but fairly empty every trunk,  
 And charge the Gold for Sack to keep me drunk;  
 And so by consequence till rich *Spains* Wine  
 Being in my crown, the *Indies* too were mine  
 And when my brains are once afoot (heaven bless us)  
 I think my self a better man than *Crasus*.  
 And now I do conceit my self a Judge,  
 And coughing laugh to see my Clients trudge  
 After my Lordships Coach unto the Hall  
 For Justice, and am full of Law withal,  
 And do become the Bench as well as he  
 That fled long since for want of honestie:  
 But I'll be Judge no longer though in jest,  
 For fear I should be talk'd with like the rest  
 When I am sober; who can chuse but think  
 Me wise, that am so wary in my drink!  
 Oh admirable Sack! here's dainty sport,  
 I am come back from *Westminster* to Court;

And am grown young again ; my Ptsick now  
 Hath left me, and my Judges graver brow  
 Is smooth'd, and I turn'd amorous as *May*,  
 When she invites young lovers for to play  
 Upon her flowry bosome : I could win  
 A Vestal now, or tempt a Queen to sin.  
 Oh for a score of Queens ! you'd laugh to see  
 How they would strive which first should ravish me,  
 Three Goddeses were nothing : Sack has tipt  
 My tongue with charms like those which *Paris* sipt  
 From *Venus*, when she taught him how to kiss  
 Fair *Helen*, and invite a fairer bliss :  
 Mine is *Canary-Rhetorick*, that alone  
 Would turn *Diana* to a burning stone :  
 Stone with amazement, burning with loves fire,  
 Hard, to the touch, but short in her desire.  
 Inestimable Sack ! thou mak'st us rich :  
 Wise, amorous, any thing ; I have an itch  
 To t'other cup, and that perchance will make  
 Me valiant too, and quarrel for thy sake  
 If I be once inflam'd, against thy Nose  
 That could preach down thy worth in small-beer  
 I should do miracles bad, or worse, (Prose  
 As he that gave the King an hundred Horse :  
 T'other odd Cup, and I shall be prepar'd  
 To snatch at Stars, and pluck down a reward  
 With mine own hands from *Jove* upon their backs  
 That are, or *Charles* his enemies, or Sacks :

Let it be full, if I do chance to spill  
 Ov'r my standish by the way I will  
 Dipping in this diviner Ink, my pen,  
 Write my self sober, and fall to't agen.

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*A Catch.*

**N**ow that the *Spring* hath fill'd our Veins  
 With kind and active fire,  
 And made green Liveries for the Plains  
 And every Grove a Quire.

Sing we this Song with mirth and merry glee,  
 And *Bacchus* crown the Bowl,  
 And here's to thee, and thou to me  
 And every thirsty soul,

Shear sheep that have them, cry we still,  
 But see that none escape,  
 To take off this Sherry, 'hat makes us so merry  
 And plump as the luty Grape.

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*The Huntsman.*

**O**F all the sports the world doth yield  
 Give me a pack of hounds in field,  
 Whole eccho sounds shrill through the sky,  
 Makes *Jove* admire our harmony,

And

And with that he a mortal were,  
To see such pleasures we have here.

Some do delight in Masks and plays,  
And in *Diana's* Holy daies.

Let *Venus* act her chiefest skill,  
If I dislike I'll please my will;  
And choose such as will last,  
And not to surfeit when I taste.

Then I will tell you of a scent,  
Where many a horse was almost spent,  
In *Chadwel* Close a Hare we found,  
That led us all a smoaking round;  
O'r hedge and ditch away she goes,  
Admiring her approaching foes.

But when she felt her strength to waste,  
She parleys with the Hounds in haste.

*The Hare.* You gentle dogs forbear to kill  
A harmless beast that ne'r did ill:  
And if your Masters sport do crave,  
I'll lead a scent as they would have.

*The Hounds.* Away, away, thou art alone,  
Make haste we say, and get thee gone;  
We'll give thee leave for half a mile,  
To see if thou canst us beguile:

But

But then expect a thundering cry,  
Made by us and our company.

*The Hare.* Then since you set my life so light,  
I'll make Black lovely turn to White ;  
And *Tork-shire Gray*, that runs at all,  
I'll make him wish him in his stall ;  
And *Sorrel*, he that seems to fly,  
I'll make him sickly ere I die.

Let *Burbam Bay* do what he can,  
And *Barton Gray*, Which now and then  
Doth strive to winter up my way ;  
I'll neither make him sit nor play,  
And constant *Robin*, though he lie  
At his advantage, what care I ?

But here *Kit Bolton* did me wrong,  
As I was running all along ;  
For with one pat he made me so,  
That I went reeling too and fro :  
Then, if I die your masters tell,  
That fool did ring my passing-Bell.

But if your masters pardon me,  
I'll read them all to *Througabby* ;  
Where constant *Robin* keeps a room  
To welcome all the Guests that come,

To laugh, and quaff in Wine, and Beer,  
A full Carouze to their Career.

*The Hounds.* Away, away, since 'tis our nature  
To kill thee, and no other Creature,  
Our Masters they do want abit,  
And thou wilt well become the spit:  
They eat the flesh, we pick the bone,  
Make hast, we say, and get thee gone.

*The Hare.* Your Masters may abate their cheer,  
My meat is dry; and Butter dear;  
And if with me they'd make a friend,  
They had better give a Puddings end:  
Besides, once dead, then sport they'll lack,  
And I must hang on th' Huntsman's back.

*The Hounds.* Alas poor Hare we pity thee,  
If with our nature 'twould agree;  
But all thy doubling shifts we fear  
Will not prevent thy death so near,  
Then make thy Will, for it may be that  
May save thee; else, we know not what.

*The Hare's.* Then I do give my body free,  
*Will.* Unto your Masters courtelie;  
And if they'll spare till sport be scant,  
I'll be their game, when they do want:

But

But when I'm dead each greedy hound  
Will trail my entrails on the ground.

*The Hounds.* Were ever Dogs so basely crost,  
Our Masters call us off so fast,  
That we the scent have almost lost;  
And they themselves must lose the roast,  
Wherefore, kind *Hare* we pardon you:  
*The Hare.* Thanks gentle *Hounds*, and so Adieu.

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### *A Catch.*

O The wily wily *Fox*, with his many wily mocks,  
We'll Earth him if you'll but follow,  
And now that we have done't, to conclude our mer-  
Let us roundly whoop and hollow: (ry hunt,  
*Prethee drink, prethee drink, prethee, prethee drink,*  
*That the Hunters may all follow.*

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### *A Song.*

She lay all naked in her bed,  
And I my self lay by,  
No Vail nor Curtain there was spread,  
No covering but I:  
Her head upon one shoulder seeks  
To hang in careless wise,



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All full of blushes were her cheeks,  
And wishes were her eyes.

Her blood lay flushing in her face,  
As on a message came,  
To say that in some other place  
It meant some other Game;  
Her neather Lip moist, plump, and fair,  
Millions of kisses crown'd,  
Which ripe and uncropt dangled there,  
And weighed the branches down.

Her breasts, that lay swell'd full and high,  
Bred pleasant pangs in me,  
And all the world I did desire  
For that felicity;  
Her thighs and belly, soft and plump,  
To me were only shewn:  
To have seen such meat, and not to have eat,  
Would have angered any one.

Her knees lay up, but stoutly bent,  
And all was hollow under,  
As if on easie terms they meant  
To fall unforc'd asunder:  
Just so the Cyprian Queen did lye,  
Expecting in her bower;  
When too long stay, had kept the boy  
Beyond his promised hour.

Dull Clown, quoth she, why dost delay  
 Such proffered blifs to take?  
 Canst thou find no other way  
 Similitudes to make?  
 Mad with delight I thundred in,  
 And threw mine arms about her,  
 But a pox upon't 'twas but a dream,  
 And so I lay without her.

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### Of a Good Wife and a Bad.

**S**ome Wives are Good and some are Bad,  
 (Reply) *Methinks you touch them now,*  
 And some will make their Husbands mad,  
 (Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*  
*And my Wife and thy Wife,*  
*And my Wife so will do.*

Some Women love to breed discord,  
*Methinks, &c.*  
 And some will have the latter word,  
 (Cho.) *And so will my wife too:*  
*And my Wife, &c.*

Some Women will Spin, and some will Sow,  
*Methinks, &c.*  
 And some will to the Tavern go,  
 (Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*  
*And my Wife, &c.*

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Some Women will say they'r sick at Heart,

*Metbinks, &c.*

And some will let a rousing Fart,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my Wife, &c.*

Some Women will ban and some will curse,

*Metbinks, &c.*

And some will pick their Husbands Purse,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my, &c.*

Some Women will Brawle, and some will Scold,

*Metbinks, &c.*

And some will make their Husbands Cuckold,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my, &c.*

Some Women will drink, and some will not,

*Metbinks, &c.*

And some will take the t'other Pot,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my Wife, &c.*

Some Women are sick, and some are sound,

*Metbinks, &c.*

And some will take it on the Ground,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my, &c.*

Thus

Thus of my song I'll make an end,

*Metbinks, &c.*

Hoping all women will amend,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too :*

*And my Wife, &c.*

### *A Catch.*

**C**ALL George again boy, call George again,  
 And for the love of *Bacchus* call George again.  
 George is a good boy, and draws us good wine,  
 Or fills us more Clarret our wits to refine ;  
 George is a brave Lad, and an honest man,  
 If you will him know, he dwells at the *Swan* :

### *A Song.*

**P**OX take you Mistris I'll be gone,  
 I have friends to wait upon ;  
 Think you I'll my self confine,  
 To your humours ( Lady mine : )  
 No, your louring seems to say :  
 'Tis a rainy drinking day,  
 To the Tavern I'll away.

There have I a Mistris got,  
 Cloystered in a Pottle pot :

*Brisk*

Brisk and sprightly as thine eye,  
When thy richest glances fly,  
Plump **AND** bounding, lively, fair,  
Bucksome, soft, and debonair:  
And she's call'd Sack, my **DEAR**.

Sack's my better Mistris far,  
Sack's my only beauty-star;  
Whose rich beams, and glorious raies;  
Twinkle in each red rose and face:  
Should I all her vertues shew,  
Thou thy self would love-sick prove,  
**AND** she'd prove thy Mistris **TOO**.

She with no dart-scorn will blast me;  
But upon thy bed can cast me;  
Yet ne'er blush her self too red,  
Nor fear of loss of Maiden-head:  
And she can ( the truth to say )  
Spirits into me convey,  
**MORE** than thou canst take **AWAY**.

Getting kisses here's no toyl,  
Here's no Handkerchief to spoyl;  
Yet I better Nectar sip,  
Than dwells upon thy lip:  
And though mute and still she be,  
Quicker wit she brings to me,  
Than e'er I could find in **THEE**.

If I go, ne'r think to see  
 Any more a fool of me ;  
 I'll no liberty up give,  
 Nor a Maudlin-like love live,  
 No, there's nought shall win me to't,  
 'Tis not all thy smiles can do't,  
 Nor thy Maiden-head to BOOT.

Yet if thou'lt but take the pain  
 TO be good but once again ;  
 If one smile then call me back,  
 THOU shalt be that Lady Sack :  
 Faith but try, and thou shalt see  
 What a loving Soul I'll be,  
 WHEN I am drunk with nought but thee.

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*The Answer.*

**I** Pray thee, Drunkard, get thee gone,  
 Thy Mistis Sack doth smell too strong:  
 Think you I intend to wed,  
 A sloven to be-piss my bed ?  
 No, your staining me's to say,  
 You have been drinking all this day.  
 Go, be gone, away, away.

where you have your Mistis Sack,  
 which hath already spoyld your back,

And methinks should be too hot,  
To be cloystered in a pot.  
Though you say she is so fair,  
So lovely, and so debonair,  
She is but of a yellow hair.

Sack's a whore which burns like fire,  
Sack consumes and is a dryer;  
And her waies do only tend  
To bring men unto their end:  
Should I all her vices tell,  
Her rovings and her swearings fell,  
Thou wouldst dam her into Hell.

Sack which no dart-scorns will blast thee,  
But upon thy bed still cast thee:  
And by that impudence doth shew,  
That no vertue she doth know:  
For she will, the truth to say,  
Thy body in an hour decay,  
More than can in a day.

Though for kisses there's no toyl,  
Yet your body she doth spoil:  
Sipping Nectar whilst you sit,  
She doth quite besot your wit:  
Though she is mute, she'll make you loud:  
Brawl and fight in every croud,  
When your reason she doth cloud.



Nor do you ever look to see  
 Any more a smile from me,  
 I'll no liberty, nor sign,  
 Which I truly may call mine.  
 No, no sleight shall win me to't,  
 Tis not all thy parts can do't,  
 Thy Person, nor thy Land to boot.

Yet if thou wilt take the pain,  
 To be sober once again,  
 And but make much of thy back,  
 I will be instead of Sack.  
 Faith but try, and thou shall see,  
 What a loving soul I'll be:  
 When thou art drunk with nought but me.

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### *A Catch.*

**S**He that will eat her breakfast in her bed,  
 And spend the morn in dressing of her head,  
 And sit at dinner like a Maiden-bride;  
 And nothing do all day, but talk of pride;  
 Fove of his mercy may do much to save her,  
 But what a case is he in that shall have her.

## St. George for England.

**V**Vhy should we boast of *Arthur* and his  
Knights,

Knowing so many men have endured hot fights;  
Besides King *Arthur*, and Sir *Lancelot du Lake*,  
Sir *Tristram de Lionel*, that fought for Ladies sake,  
Read old Histories, and then you shall see,  
That St. George, St. George did make the Dragon flee;  
St. George for England, St. Dennis for France,  
Sing *Hony soit qui maly pense*.

Mark how father *Abraham*, when first he rescued *Lot*  
Only by his household what conquest there they got;  
*David* elected a Prophet and a King,  
He slew great *Goliath* with a stone and a sling;  
These were no Knights of the Table round,  
But St. George, St. George the Dragon did confound;  
St. George, &c.

*Joshua* and *Gideon* did lead their men to fight,  
They conquered the *Amorites*, and put them to flight;  
*Hercules* labour's upon the Plains of *Bass*,  
And *Sampson* slew a thousand with the jaw bone of  
Besides a goodly Temple there he did spoyl, (an ass,  
But St. George, St. George the Dragon he did soyl;  
St. George, &c.

The wars of the Monarchs they were too long to tell  
 And next of all the Romans, for they did far excell,  
 When *Hannibal* and *Scipio* so many fields did fight,  
*Orlando Furioso* was a worthy Knight ;  
*Remus* and *Romulus*, that first *Rome* did build,  
 But *St. George*, *St. George* did make the dragon yield,  
*St. George*, &c.

Many have fought with proud *Tamberlain*,  
 And *Cutlax* the *Dane*, great wars did maintain,  
*Rowland*, and *Bryan*, and good *Sr. Oliveer* ;  
 In the forrest of *Arden* there slew both Bull & Bear,  
 Beside the noble *Hollander*, *Sir Goward* with his bill,  
 But *St. George*, *St. George* the dragon's bloud did spill,  
*St. George*, &c.

*Bevis* conquered *Askupart*, and after slew the bore,  
 And then he crost beyond the seas to combat  
 with a Moor,

*Sir Ifinbrass* & *Egleman* they were Knights bold (told  
 And good *Sir John Mandevil* of travels much have  
 These were all English Knights that pagans did con-  
 But *St. George*, &c. pluckt out the Dragons heart. (vert.  
*St. George*, &c.

The noble *Alphonso*, that was the Spanish King,  
 The order of the red scarfs and bedrowl he did bring,  
 He had a troop of mighty Knights when first he did,  
 begin,

That

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That fought adventures far and nigh what conquest  
they might win,  
The ranks of the Pagans full oft he put to flight,  
But St. George, St. George did with the Dragon fight;  
St. George, &c.

The noble Earle of *Warwick*, that called was Sir Guy,  
The Infidels and Pagans much he did defie,  
He slew the Gyant *Brandemoor*, & after was the death  
Of the most gastly dun Cow, the divel of *Dunsmore*  
heath,  
Besides other noble Deeds he did beyond the seas,  
But St. George, St. George the Dragon did appease;  
St. George, &c.

*Valentine* and *Orson* of King *Pipins* blood,  
*Alfred* and *Henry* they were Knights good;  
The four Sons of *Amon* that fought for *Charlemain*,  
Sir *Hugo de Bourdeaux*, and *Godfrey de Bullaign*,  
These were all french Knights that lived in that age,  
But St. George, St. George the Dragon did assuage;  
St. George, &c.

When at the first K. *Richard* was King of this Land,  
He gorged a Lyon with his naked hand;  
The noble Duke of *Austria* nothing he did fear,  
He killed his Son with a box on the ear,  
Besides other noble deeds done in the holy-Land,  
But St. George, St. George the Dragon did withstand;  
St. George, &c.

When as the third King *Edward* had conquered all  
*France,*

He quartered their Arms his honour to advance,  
 He ranſack'd their Cities, threw their Cattles down,  
 And garniſhed his head with a double double Crown,  
 He thumped the *French*, & homeward then he came,  
 But *St. George*, *St. George* the Dragon he did tame;  
*St. George*, &c.

*St. David* of *Wales* did the Welchmen much advance,  
*St. James* for *Spain*, that never yet broke Lance,  
*St. Patrick* for *Ireland*, that was *St. Georges* Boy,  
 Seven years he kept his horſe, & then ſtole him away,  
 For which filthy act a ſlave he doth remain,  
 But *St. George*, *St. George* the Dragon he hath ſlain;  
*St. George* for *England*, *St. Denis* for *France*,  
 Sing *Hony ſoit qui maly penſe*.

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### *Arthur of Bradly.*

Saw you not *Pierce* the Piper,  
 His Cheeks as big as a Myter,  
 Piping among the Swains,  
 That's down in yonder Plains:  
 Where *Tib* and *Tem* doth tread it,  
 And Youths the hornpipe lead it,  
 With every one his carriage  
 To go to yonder Marriage,

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For the honour of *Arthur* of *Bradly*,  
Oh brave *Arthur* of *Bradly*, O fine *Arthur* of *Bradly*,  
O brave *Arthur* of *Bradly*, oh.

*Arthur* hath gotten a Lass,  
A bonnier never was ;  
The chiefest youths in the Parish  
Come dancing in a *Morris*,  
With Country Gambols flouncing,  
Country Wenches trouncing,  
Dancing with mickle pride,  
Every man his wench by his side,  
For the honour of *Arthur*, &c.

But when that *Arthur* was married,  
And his Bride home had carried ;  
The Youngsters they did wait  
To help to carry up meat :  
*Francis* carried the Furnetery,  
*Michael* carried the Mince-pye,  
*Bartholomew* the Beef and the Mustard,  
And *Christopher* carried the Custard,  
Thus every one went in this Ray,  
For the honour of *Arthur* of *Bradly*, Oh fine, &c.

But when that dinner was ended,  
The Maidens they were befriended ;  
For out stept *Dick* the Draper,  
And he bid pipe up scraper ;

Better to be dancing a little,  
Than into the Town to tipple ;  
He bid him play him a Horn-pipe,  
That goes fine of the Bagpipe :  
Then forward Piper, and play  
For the honour of *Arthur of Bradly*, Oh fine, &c,

Then *Richard* he did lead it,  
And *Margery* she did tread it ;  
*Francis* followed them,  
And after courteous *Jane* :  
And every one after another,  
As if they had been sifter and brother,  
That 'twas a great sight to see  
How well they did agree,  
And then they all did say,  
Hay for *Arthur of Bradly*, oh fine, &c.

When all the Swains did see  
This mirth and merry glee,  
There was never a man did flinch,  
But every man kist his Wench :  
But *Giles* was greedy of gain,  
And he would needs kist twain ;  
His Lover, seeing that,  
Did rap him on the pate,  
That he had not one word to say  
For the honour of *Arthur of Bradly*, oh fine, &c.



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The Piper look'd aside,  
And there he spide the Bride ;  
He thought it was a hard chance  
That none would lead her a dance :  
For never a man durst touch her,  
But only *Will.* the Butcher ;  
He took her by the hand  
And danc'd whilst he could stand ;  
The Bride was fine and gay,  
For the honour of *Arthur* of *Bradly*, Oh fine, &c.

Then out stept *Will.* the Weaver,  
And he swore he'd not leave her ;  
He hopt it all of a Leg,  
For the honour of his *Peg*,  
But *Kester* in *Cambrick* Ruffe,  
He took that in snuff :  
For he against that day  
Had made himself fine and gay ;  
His Ruff was whipt over with blew,  
He cryed a new dance, a new ;  
Then forward Piper and play,  
For the honour of *Arthur* of *Bradley*, Oh fine, &c.

Then 'gan the Sun decline,  
And every one thought it time  
To go unto his home,  
And leave the Bridegroom alone.

To't to't, quoth lusty Ned,  
 We'll see them both in bed :  
 For I will jeopard a joynt  
 But I will get his codpiece point :  
 Then strike up Piper and play,  
 For the honour of *Arthur of Bradley*, oh fine, &c.

And thus the day was spent,  
 And no man homeward went,  
 That there was such crouding and thrusting,  
 That some were in danger of bursting,  
 To see them go to bed :  
 For all the skill they had,  
 He was got to his Bride,  
 And laid him close by her side,  
 They got his Points and Garters,  
 And cut them in peeces like quarters ;  
 And then they bid the Piper play,  
 For the honour of *Arthur of Bradley*, oh fine, &c.

Then *Will.* and his sweet heart  
 Did call for *Loath to depart*,  
 And then they did foot it and tofs it,  
 Till the Cook had brought up the posset,  
 The Bride-pye was brought forth,  
 A thing of mickle worth,  
 And so all at the bed-side  
 Took leave of *Arthur* and his Bride,

And so they went all away

From the wedding of *Arthur* of *Bradley*, oh, &c.

*On the Printing of the Oxford Jests.*

<sup>1</sup>  
I Tell thee *Kit*, where I have been,  
Where I the rarest Jests have zeen,  
O Jests without compare,  
Such Jests again cannot be shewn,  
In *Oxford* no nor *Cambridge* town;  
They be so very rare.

<sup>2</sup>  
I yesterday did go to buy  
A book, (thou know'st) for thee and I,  
Of zomething that was pretty,  
And when poor *Robins* Jests I zaw,  
Methoughts they were old, and lean, and raw,  
Not like his *Almanacks* witty.

<sup>3</sup>  
I then did ask for the *Oxford* Jests,  
Which *Kit* thou knowest came from the *Brefts*,  
Of our *Univerfity*;  
The man to me did then confefs,  
They were not yet come out o'th prefs,  
Quoth I the more's the pitty.

At last he shew'd the very <sup>4</sup>copy,  
 Of that i'th press, I'm a very puppy  
*Kit*, if e'er the like was zeen ;  
 Before I half a score had read,  
 With laughing (if it may be zed )  
 I'd like to have broke my spleen.

I then did point to read 'um o'er,  
 Zuch Jests I never heard before,  
 Fore *George* tis true our *Kit* ;  
 And e'er that I had read 'um half  
 I found I was so great with laugh,  
 I thought my zides would split.

Then hey for *Oxford* now I zay  
 Evaith I long to see the day  
 That they shall printed be ;  
 Then thee and I will each buy one,  
 For our two sweet hearts *Nell* and *Jone*,  
 For Mirth and Mellodie.

### A Catch.

**T** Here was three Cooks in *Colebrook*,  
 And they fell out with our Cook,  
 And all was for a pudding he took,  
 And from the Cook of *Colebrook*.

There

There was swash Cook, and slash Cook,  
And thy Nose in my Narse Cook,  
And all was for a pudding he took,  
And from the Cook of *Colebrook*.  
Then they fell all upon our Cook,  
And numbled him so, that he did look  
As black as the pudding which he took,  
And from the Cook of *Colebrook*.

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*The Blacksmith.*

OF all the Sciences beneath the Sun,  
Which have been since the world begun,  
The Smith by his art great praise hath won,  
Which no body can deny.

The fairest Goddess in the skies  
To marry with him did devise,  
That was a cunning Smith and wife,  
Which nobody, &c.

Then *Mars* came down for *Venus* sake,  
The Smith he did his armour make,  
In love together he did them take,  
Which nobody, &c.

The first that ever Musick made  
Was *Tubal* of the Blacksmiths Trade,

By hammering strokes as it was said,  
Which no body, &c.

He did invent continually  
The Iron work for the Country,  
A Smith for mirth and husbandry,  
Which no body, &c.

What Occupation can you name;  
But first the Smith must help the same,  
With working tools their work to frame?  
Which no body, &c.

What horse can post to carry news,  
But first the Smith sets on his shooes,  
With Spur and Stirrop for mens use?  
Which no body, &c.

What Ship upon the Sea can sail,  
If Iron work in her do fail,  
Though Anchor hold 'twill not prevail?  
Which no body, &c.

What can you build with lime or stone  
If Iron-work therein be none?  
Smiths make for houses many a one,  
Which no body, &c.

How can you go to Plough or Cart,  
Except the Smith do play his Part,  
With Coulter and Shaire made well by Art?  
Which no body, &c.

The Axletree Pin, the plowing Chain,  
The Bill, the Axe, the Wedges twain,  
The Pitchfork, and the Dung-fork plain,  
Which no body, &c.

The Butchers Axe, the Shooe-makers Awl,  
The cutting knives on every stall,  
That lies to cut and carve withall,  
Which no body, &c,

The Coopers Adds, the Brewers Slings.  
The Carpenters Tools for many things,  
The plyers for the Goldsmiths Rings,  
Which no body, &c.

Your Tongs, your Spits, Trevits, and Racks,  
And many other things that lacks,  
And for your houses pretty Knacks,  
Which no body, &c.

Weights and Skales to buy and sell,  
A thousand things I need not tell,  
The Smith hath match'd all things so well,  
Which no body, &c.

I could rehearse a thousand things,  
Of Iron Bars, Bolts, and Pins,  
Latches, Catches, Staples, Rings,  
Which no body, &c.



He makes all several kinds of Locks,  
For horses, for doors, for Chest, for Box,  
For houses, and for Churches Clocks,  
Which no body, &c.

Your fire Irons, small and great,  
Your pothooks, and forks so fine and neat,  
Your Jack that turns your spits of meat,  
Which no body, &c.

Your Paviours Pickax, great and small,  
Your Pattens for women, low and tall;  
Your Shovel and Spade to work withall,  
Which no body, &c.

Your branding Iron to brand your Kine,  
Your Clappers for Bells to ring and chime,  
Your stamps for Gold and Silver fine,  
Which no body, &c.

The horses Bits, that finely gingle,  
The Barbers Tools, that is so nimble,  
The Taylors sheer, his Bodkin and thimble,  
Which no body, &c.

And for all weapons for the fight  
The Smith I am sure makes such a fight,  
So long, so strong, so fair, so bright,  
Which no body, &c.

Bills, Pikes, Dags, and Guns,  
Halberds, Spears, and many things,  
Through the hammer of the Smith all come,  
Which no body, &c.

To love the Smith all Trades are bound,  
Which make him thus to be renown'd,  
For which his hammers they are crown'd,  
Which no body, &c.

Of Smiths now living at this hour,  
There was a Smith within the Tower  
Which might be counted for a flower,  
Which no body, &c.

Thus of my Song I make an end,  
The Smith is every bodies friend,  
He seeks his Country to defend,  
Which nobody can deny.

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*A North Country Song.*

**W**hen Iſe came firſt to *London* Town,  
Iſe wor a Novice, as other men are;  
Iſe thought the King had liv'd at the Crown,  
And the way to heaven had been through the  
(ſtar.  
Iſe

Iſe ſet up my horſe, and Iſe went to *Pauls*,  
 Good Lord, quoth I, what a Kirk been here?  
 Then Iſe did ſwear by all Kerſon ſonls,  
 It wor a mile long, or very near,

It wor as high as any Hill,  
 A Hill, quo I, nay as a Mountain,  
 Then went Iſe up with a very good will,  
 But glad wor I to come down again.

For as Iſe went up my head rot round.  
 Then be it known to all Kerſon people,  
 A man is no little way fro the ground,  
 When he's o'th' top of all *Pauls* ſteeple.

Iſe lay down my hot, and Iſe went to pray,  
 But wor not this a pitious caſe,  
 Afore I had done it wor ſtolen away, place?  
 Who'd have thought theeves had been in that

Now for my Hot Iſe made great moan,  
 A ſtander by unto me ſaid,  
 Thou didſt not obſerve the Scripture aright,  
 For thou mun a watcht, as well as pray'd.

From thence Iſe went, and I ſaw my Lord Mayor,  
 Good lack what a ſight was there to ſee,  
 My Lord and his horſe were both of a hair;  
 I could not tell which the Mare ſhould be.

From

From thence to *Westminster* I went,  
Where many a brave Lawyer I did see,  
Some of them had a bad intent,  
For there my purse was stoln from me.

To see the Tombs was my desire,  
I went with many brave fellows store  
I gave them a penny that was there hire,  
And he's but a fool that will give any more.

Then through the rooms the fellow me led,  
Where all the sights were to be seen,  
And snuffing told me through the nose,  
What formerly the name of those had been.

Here lies quoth he, *Henry* the Third,  
Thou li'st like a knave, he saies never a word;  
And here lies *Richard* the Second interr'd,  
And here stands good King *Edwards* Sword.

Under this Chair lyes *Jacobs* stone,  
The very same stone lies under the Chair,  
A very good jest, had *Jacob* but one,  
How got he so many Sons without a pair?

I staid not there, but down with the tide  
I made great haste, and I went my way;  
For I was to see the Lions beside,  
And the Paris-garden all in a day.

When Iſe came there, I was in a rage,  
 I rayl'd on him that kept the Bears,  
 Inſtead of a Stake was ſuffered a Stage  
 And in Hunkes his houſe a crue of Players.

Then through the Brigg to the Tower Iſe went,  
 With much ado Iſe entred in,  
 And after a penny that I had ſpent,  
 One with a loud voice did thus begin.

This Lyon's the Kings, and that is the Queens,  
 And this the Princes that ſtands here by,  
 With that I went neer to look in the Den  
 Cods body, quoth he, why come you ſo nigh?

Iſe made great haſte unto my Inne,  
 I ſupt, and I went to bed betimes,  
 Iſe ſlept, and I dream'd what I had ſeen,  
 And wak'd again by Cheapſide Chimes.

*The merry Goodfellow.*

**W**Hy ſhould we not laugh and be jolly,  
 Since all the World is mad & giddy  
 And lull'd in a dull melancholly;  
 He that wallows in ſtore  
 Is ſtill gaping for more,  
 And that makes him as poor,  
 As the wretch that ne'er any thing had.

How mad is that damn'd money-monger?  
That to purchase to him and his heirs  
Grows shriviled with thirst and hunger;  
While we that are bonny,  
Buy Sack with ready-money,  
And ne'er trouble the Scriveners, nor Lawyers.

Those guts that by scraping and toying,  
Do swell their Revenues so fast,  
Get nothing by all their turmoiling,  
But are marks of each tax,  
While they load their own backs  
With the heavier packs,  
And lye down gall'd and weary at last.

While we that do traffick in tipples,  
Can baffle the Gown and the Sword,  
Whose jaws are so hungry and gripples,  
We ne'er trouble our heads  
With Indentures or Deeds,  
And our wills are compos'd in a word.

Our money shall never indite us,  
Nor drag us to Goldsmiths Hall,  
No Pyrats nor wracks can affright us;  
We, that have no Estates,  
Fear no plunder nor rates,  
We can sleep with open gates,  
He that lies on the ground cannot fall.

*The Second Part of*

We laugh at those fools whose endeavours  
 Do but fit them for Prisons and Fines,  
 When we that spend all are the savers;  
     For if the thieves do break in,  
     They go out empty agin,  
 Nay, the Plunderers lose their designs.

Then let us not think on to morrow,  
 But tittle and laugh while we may,  
 To wash from our hearts all Torrow;  
     Those Cormorants which  
     Are troubled with an itch,  
     To be mighty and rich,  
 Do but toy for the wealth they do borrow.

The Mayor in our Town with his Ruff on,  
 What a pox is he better than me?  
 He must vail to the man with his Buff on;  
     Though he Custard may eat,  
     And such lubbardly meat,  
 Yet our Sack makes us merrier than he.

*The Rebels Reign.*

**N**OW we are met in a knot, let's take t'other  
     And chirp o'r a Cup of Nectar;  
 Let's think on a charm to keep us from harm,  
     From the Fiend, and the new Protector.

Hertofore



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Hertofore at a brunt a Crofs would have done't,  
But now they have taken courfes, (left  
With their Laws and their theft, there's not a crofs  
In the Church, nor the Farmers purfes.

They're with you to bring for a fluffing at a King,  
For now you muft make no dainty,  
To have your nofe ground on a ftone turned round  
By *Nol*, and one and twenty.

But our Rights are kept for us in *Oliver's* ftore-houfe  
'Twere as good they were fet in the ftocks :  
They're juft in the pickle in the thirtieth Article,  
Like *Jack* in a Juglers box.

We are loth to look for the Saints in a book,  
But would not a man be vex't,  
To fee them fo rough with the blades and their buff,  
But not a word on't in the Text.

We have been twelve years together by the ears  
To prepare for a fpiritual raig'n :  
Men were never fo fpic'd with the Scepter of Chrift  
In the hands of a Saint in grain.

'Twas brew'd in their Hives by Citizens wives,  
Who ventured their husbands far,  
With *Robin* the fool there was ne'r fuch a tool  
To lead in the womens war.

He

He was ill at Command, but worse at a stand,  
 So they fought out another more able :  
 Then *Fair*. undertakes, but *Nol* keeps the stakes,  
 And sends away *Fox* with a bauble.

(on'd,  
*Wil*, Conqueror the second, without his host reck-  
 And so did *Brown* billet his Mate :  
 They made a great noise mongst women and boys,  
 But now they are both out of date.

Cowardly *W* ——— had but a foule Fortune,  
 And wanted a knife to scrape it,  
 When his *Oriphice* ran there was no mortal man,  
 But *omnibus horis sapit*.

*Bradshaw*, the Knave, sent the King to his grave,  
 And on the bloud Royal did trample,  
 For which the next *Lent* he was made President,  
 And ere long may be made an example.

*Dorislaws* did steer to *Hans* mine beer,  
 And *Askew* to *Don* at *Madril*, (patcht,  
 Ere a man could have scratcht they were both dif-  
 Yet there they lye *Leger* still.

*Martin* and *St. Johns*, and more with a vengeance,  
 Had each a finger i'th' pyc :  
 Some for the money, and some for the Conny,  
 And some for they knew not why.

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The Parliament sate as snug as a Cat,  
And were playing for mine and yours:  
Sweep-stakes was their Game till *Oliver* came,  
And turn'd it to knave out of doors.

Then a new one was cast, and made up in hast,  
But alas they could do no more  
Than empty our purse, and empty us worse  
Than e'r we were marred before.

But in a good hour they gave up their power  
To one that was wiser than they;  
By common consent 'twas the first Parliament  
That ever was *fela de se*.

After all this Jeer we are never the near,  
There sits one at the helm commanding;  
One that doth us nick with a trick for our trick,  
And the stone in our foot notwithstanding.

He'l not relax one great of the Tax  
Though it come to more than he need,  
He may keep it in store till his need be more,  
'Tis an Article of our new Creed.

So well he hath wrought, that now he hath brought  
The Realm to the manner he meant it;  
The Fishes, and the fowl, and the divel and all  
And the monthly pay his high rent.

All

All this we must bear, but 'twould make a man swear  
 When they call us a reformed Nation:  
 It can never sink into my head for to think  
 That this is a Reformation.

'Tis the man in the Moon, or the divel as soon,  
 Our Laws are asleep upon shelves: (um,  
 Our Charter and Freedom we may bid God speed  
 'Tis well we can beg for our selves.

Since *Nel* hath bereft us, and nothing hath left us,  
 Not a horse or an Oxe to plough land;  
 Let *Oliver* pass, come fill up my glass,  
 And here's a good health to *Rowland*.

### *A Catch.*

**H**AVE you observ'd the wench in the street,  
 She's scarce any hose or shoots to her feet;  
 And when she cries, she sings,  
 I have hot Codlings, hot Codlings.

Or have you ever seen or heard  
 The mortal with his Lyon tauny beard?  
 He lives as merrily as heart can with,  
 And still he cries, Buy a brush, buy a brush.

Since

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Since these are merry, why should we take care?  
Musicians, like Cameliens, must live by the Aire;  
And let's be blithe and bonny, & no good meeting  
balk, (Chalk.  
What though we have no money, we shall find

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### A new Medley.

*The English,* **L**et the Trumpet sound,  
And the Rocks rebound,  
Our English Native's coming;  
Let the Nations swarm,  
And the Princes storm,  
We value not their drumming.  
'Tis not *France*, that looks so smug,  
Old fashions still renewing,  
It is not the *Spanish* shrug,  
*Scottish* Cap, or *Irish* rug;  
Nor the *Dutch-mans* double jug  
Can help what is ensuing;  
Pray, my Masters, look about,  
For something is a Brewing.

He that is a Favorite consulting with Fortune,  
If he grow not wiser, then he's quite undone;  
In a rising creature we daily see certainly,  
He is a retreater that fails to go on:

He

He that in a builder's trade

Stops e're the roof be made,

By the Air may be betray'd

And overthrown :

He that hath a race begun,

And lets the Goal be won ;

He had better never run.

But let's alone.

Then plot rightly,

March lightly,

Shew your glittering Arms brightly :

Charge highly,

Fight sprightly ;

Fortune gives renown.

A right riser

Will prize her,

She makes all the world wiser ;

Still try her,

We'll gain by her

A Coffin or a Crown.

If the *Dutchman* or the *Spaniard*

Come but to oppose us,

We will thrust them up at the main-yard

If they do but nose us :

*Hans, Hans*, think upon thy sins,

And then submit to *Spain* thy Master ;

For though now you look like friends,

Yet

Yet he will never trust you after ;  
Drink, drink, give the *Dutchman* drink,  
And let the tap and kan run faster ;  
For faith at the last I think  
A Brewer will become your Master.

Let not poor Teg and Shone  
Vender from der houses,  
Left dey be quite undone  
In der very Trousers :  
And all der Orphans bestow'd under hatches,  
And made in *London* free der to cry matches ;  
St. *Patrick* wid his Harp do tun'd wid tru string  
Is not fit to unty St. *Hewson's* shoos-strings.

Methinks I hear  
The welch draw near,  
And from each lock a louse drops ;  
*Ap Sbon, ap LLoyd,*  
Will spend her plood,  
For to defend her mouse-traps :  
Mounted on her *Kifflebagh*  
With cott store of *Koradagh*,  
The Prittish war begins.  
With a hook her was overcome her,  
Pluck her to her, thrust her from her,  
By cot her was break her shins.

Let Tassie fret,  
And welch-hook whet,

And



And troop up petigrees,  
 We only tout  
 Tey will stink us out,  
 Wit Leeks and toasted Sheeze.

But *Jockie* now and *Jinny* comes,  
 Our Brethren must approve on't ;  
 For pret a Cot dey bert der drums  
 Only to break de Couvenant.  
 Dey bore Saint *Andrew's* Cross,  
 Til our army quite did rout dem,  
 But when we put dem to de los,.  
 De deal a Cross about dem :  
 The King and Couvenant they crave,  
 Their cause must needs be further'd  
 Although so many Kings they have  
 Most barbarously, basely murdered.

*The French.* The Frenchman he will give consent,  
 Though he tickle in our veins ;  
     That willingly  
     We may agree,  
 To a marriage with grapes and grains :  
     He conquers us with kindness,  
     And doth so far entrench,  
 That fair, and wise, and young, and rich,  
     Are finised by the *French* :  
 He prettifies us with Feathers and Fans,  
 With Petticoats, Doublets, and Hose,

And

And faith they shall  
Be welcome all  
If they forbear the nose.  
For love or for fear,  
Let Nations forbear;  
If Fortune exhibit a Crown,  
A Coward he  
Must surely be,  
That will not put it on.

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*A Catch.*

SHew a Room, shew a Room, shewa Room,  
SHere's a knot of Good fellows are come,  
That mean for to be merry  
With Clarret and with Sherry;  
Each man to mirth himself disposes,  
And for the Reckoning tell Noses;  
Give the Red-Nose some *Whise*,  
And the Pale-Nose some *Clarret*,  
But the Nose that looks *Blem*,  
Give him a Cup of *Sack*, 'twill mend his hew.

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*The Contented.*

VVHy should a man care, or be in despair,  
Should Fortune prove never so unkind,

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Or why should I be sad for that I never had,  
Or foolishly trouble my mind?

For I do much hate to pine at my Fate,

There's none but a fool will do so:

I'll laugh and be fat, for care kills a Cat,

And I care not howe're the world go.

Though I am poor, and others have store,

Why should I repine at their bliss?

For I am content with what God hath sent,

And I think I do not amiss:

Let others have wealth, for I have health,

And money to pay what I owe,

I'll laugh, and be merry, and sing hey down, down

For I care not, &c.

(derry,

Some men do suppose, even by their gay Cloaths,

For to be in great request;

Though mine be but bare, I am not o'th' show,

And I think my self honestly drest;

Though every man cannot say so,

I like that I wear, though it cost not so dear,

For I care not, &c.

Your Epicure eats of the best sort of meat

And wine of the best he doth drink,

And laies him to rest, and thinks himself blest,

On heaven he never doth think;

Though

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Though my fare be but course, I am not the worse,  
My health is the better I know ;  
Though plain be my food, my stomach is good,  
And I care not, &c.

Your flattering Curs, that fawn upon Furs,  
And hang at Noble mens ears,  
If once they do fall, away they run all,  
And this is their flattering fears:  
Dissembling I scorn, for I am free-born,  
My happiness lies not below ;  
Though my words want Art, I speak from my heart,  
I care not, &c.

Some men do strive, and mightily thrive,  
And some for Offices wait,  
Much money they spend, and to little end,  
And repent then when it's too late ;  
Low shrubs are secure, when Cedars endure  
Great storms and tempests below,  
Let others look high, for so will not I,  
And I care not howe're the world go.

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*How to live happy.*

**H**E that a happy life would lead  
In these times of distraction,  
Let him listen to me, and I will read  
A Lecture without faction ;

Let him want three things, whence misery springs,  
They all begin with a letter,  
Let him bound his desires to what nature requires,  
And with reason his humour fether.

Let not his wealth prodigious grow,  
For that breeds cares and dangers;  
Makes him envied above and hated below,  
A constant slave to strangers;  
They are happiest of all whose estates are but small,  
Though but enough to maintain them,  
They may do, they may say, having nothing to pay,  
It will not quit cost to arraign them.

Nor would I have him clogg'd with a wife,  
For household cares incumber,  
Nor to one place to confine his life,  
Cause he can't remove his Lumber;  
They are happiest far who unmarried are,  
And forrage, and all in common,  
From all storms they can flye, or if they should die,  
They ruine no child nor woman.

Let not his brains o'flow with wit,  
That capers o'r discretion,  
It's costly to keep, and hard to get,  
And dangerous in the possession;  
They are happiest men that can scarce tell ten,

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And beat not their brains about reason, (serve  
They may speak what will serve themselves to pre-  
And their words are not taken for treason.

But of all fools there's none to the wit,  
For he takes pains to shew it,  
His pride and his drink bring him into a fit,  
Then streight he turns a Poet :  
His jests he flings at States, or at Kings,  
Or at Plays, or at Bays, or at shadows,  
Thinks a Verse serves as well as a Circle or Cell,  
Till he rimes himself to the Barbados.

He that within these Lines can live,  
May baffle all disasters,  
To Fortune and Fate commands he can give,  
Who Wordlings call their Masters ;  
He may sing, he may quaff, he may drink, he may  
May be mad, may be sad, may be jolly, (laugh,  
He may sleep without care and speak without fear,  
And laugh at the world and its folly

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*A Catch.*

**W**Hat Fortune had I, poor Maid as I am,  
To be bound in eternal vow,  
For ever to lye by the side of a man,  
That would, but knows not how ?

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Oh can there no pity  
Be in such a City,  
Where Lads enough are to be had.

Unfortunate Girl, that art wed to such woe,  
Go seek thee a lively Lad,  
And let the poor that hath nothing to shew  
Go seek for another as bad;  
Then call for no pity  
Thou dweltst in a City,  
Where Lads enough were to be had.

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### *Advice to Batchelors.*

**H**E that intends to take a Wife,  
I'll tell him what a kind of life  
He must be sure to lead;  
If she's a young and tender heart,  
Not documented in Loves Art,  
Much teaching she will need.

For where there is no path, one may  
Be tir'd before he find the way,  
Nay, when he's at his treasure,  
The gap perhaps will prove so straight,  
That he for entrance long may wait,  
And make a royl of's pleasure.



Or if one old, and past her doing,  
He will the Chamber-maid be woin,

To buy her ware the cheaper,  
But if he chuse one most formose,  
Ripe for't, she'll prove libidinous,

*Argus* himself shan't keep her.

For when those things are neatly drest,

They'l entertain each wanton guest,

Nor for their honour care,

If any give their pride a fall,

Th' have learn'd a trick to bear withal,

So you their charges bear.

Or if you chance to play your game

With a dull, fat, gross, heavy Dame,

Your riches to encrease,

Alas! she will but year you for't,

Bid you to find out better sport,

Lie with a pot of grease.

If meager — be thy delight,

She'l conquer in venereal fight,

And waste thee to the bones.

Such kind of girles, like to your Mill,

The more you give, the more crave they will,

Or else they'l grind the stones.

If black, 'tis odds she's dev'lish proud,  
 If short, *Zantippe* like, too loud,  
     If long, she'll lazy be,  
 Foolish (the Proverb saith) if fair,  
 If wise and comely, danger's there,  
     Lest she do cuckold thee.

If she bring store of money, such  
 Are like to domineer too much;  
     Prove Mistress, no good wife,  
 And when they cannot keep you under,  
 They'll fill the house with scolding thunder,  
     What worse than such a life;

But if her Dowry only be  
 Beauty, farewell felicity,  
     Thy fortunes cast away.  
 Thou must be sure to satisfy her  
 In belly, and in back-desire,  
     To labour night and day.

And rather than her pride give o'r,  
 She'll turn perhaps an honoured whore,  
     And thou'lt *Aëon*'d be,  
 Whilst like *Aëon* thou maist weep,  
 To think thou forced art to keep,  
     Such as devour thee.

If being noble thou dost wed  
A servile Creature, basely bred,

Thy Family it defaces ;

If being mean, one nobly born,  
She'l swear t' exalt a Courtlike horn,

Thy low descent it graces.

If one tongue be too much for any,

Then he who takes a wife with many,

Knows not what may betide him ;

She whom he did for learning honour,

To scold by book will take upon her,

Rhetorically chide him.

If both her Parents living are,

To please them you must take great care,

Or spoyle your future fortune,

But if departed th' are this life,

You must be parent to your wife,

And father all, be certain.

If bravely drest, fair fac'd and witty,

She'l oft be gadding to the City,

Nor may you say her nay,

She'l tell you (if you her deny)

Since women have Terms, she knows not why,

But they still keep them may.

If you make choice of Country ware,  
Of being Cuckold, there's less fear,  
But stupid honesty  
May teach her how to sleep all night ;  
And take a great deal more delight  
To milk the Cows than thee.

Concoction makes their blood agree  
Too near, where's consanguinity ;  
Then let no kin be chosen:  
He loseth one part of his treasure,  
Who thus confineth all his pleasure  
To th' arms of his first Couzen.

He'll never have her at command,  
Who takes a wife at second hand ;  
Then chuse no widdowed mother :  
The first cut, of that bit you love,  
If others had, why mayn't you prove  
But tasterto another ?

Besides, if she bring children many,  
'Tislike by thee she'l not have any,  
But prove a barren Doe ;  
Or if by them, she ne'r had one,  
By thee 'tis likely she'l have none,  
Whilst thou for weak back go.

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For there where other Gard'ners have been sowing  
Their seed, but ne'r could find it growing

You must expect so too ;

And where the *Terra incognita*

S'o'rplow'd, you must it fallow lay,  
And still for weak back go.

Then trust not to a maiden face,

Nor confidence in widdows place,

Those weaker vessels may

Spring-leak, or split against a rock,

And when your Fame's wrapt in a smock,

'Tis easily cast away.

Yet be she fair, foul, short, or tall,

You for a time may love them all,

Call them your soul, your life,

And one by one them undermine,

As Courtizan, or Concubine,

But never as married wife.

He who considers this, may end the strife,

Confess no trouble like unto a Wife.

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A Catch.

**I**F any so wise is, that Sack he despises,  
 Let him drink small beer, and be sober,  
 Whilst we drink Sack and sing, as if it were spring,  
 He shall droop like the Trees in October.  
 But be sure if over night this dog do you bite,  
 You take it henceforth for a warning,  
 Soon as out of your bed, to settle your head,  
 Take a hair of his tail in the morning.  
 And be not so silly to follow old Lilly,  
 For there's nothing but Sack that can tune us,  
 Let his *Ne-assuescas* be put in his cap case,  
 And sing *bi-bi-to vinum Fejunus.*

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## A Mock Song.

**W**Hen I a Lady do intend to flatter  
 Oh, how I do begin to chatter;  
 I swear and vow  
 How much I'd do,  
 That I might once get at her —

I say to kifs her only is a Feast,  
A *Cupids* Beaver at the least;

Whilst silly she

Believeth me,

And thinks I love her best.

With those fair phanſies which moſt comely are,  
I oft her Ladyſhip compare;

I ſay the Roſe

And Lilly, when it blowes,

Are nothing near ſo fair.

Yet gazing on her face I've ſpent ſome hours,  
Conſulted with each cheek, and all its powers,

But there none grow,

Unleſs below,

In pleaſures garden-ſpring her flowers.

Oft have I call'd her Jewel, oft have I

Call'd true, the falſe pearls of her eye,

Yet precious ſtone

She will have none,

Untill with me ſhe lie.

With what pure whiteness is her boſome bleſt,

Oft cry I, yet I do but jeſt;

For ſure I'm ſtill,

She never will,

Untill If——her have a milk white breſt.

Then



Then tell her by the rowling of her eyes,  
I guess her secret rarities,

Swear he who enjoys

Those pleasant toyes,  
Ought much to esteem the prize.

Thus Ladies have I learn'd in *Cupid's* schools,  
My Master *Ovid's* Grammer Rules:

Thus can I prove

I am in love,

And thus I make ye fools.

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Love will not sit upon anothers sinnes  
He can present ye  
With peace and plenty,  
Howeuer he comes by throwing down  
Where Love is in, there  
There Truth is and Reason  
The seed of Love is never overlaid with Treason.  
He never doth quarrel  
For Princely apparel  
Nor ever fixes a chair of state upon a barrel.

Love from the dull pit  
Of Follies full pit  
Never took an Anvil out, and put it in a pulpit.  
Love is no sinker,  
Nor is no flinker;  
In standing love where Love did never play the sinker.  
Where Vengeance and Lust is,  
But truth nor craft is,  
All will appear or lift in Gods high Court of Justice.  
Pity and remorse is  
The strength of Loves Forces,  
Paul never converted men by stables filled with  
horses.  
Mercy is fading,  
Truth is degenerating,  
Love is the only cause of Plenty, Peace, & Trading.  
Love

Love is the fire  
That kindles the passion is to heaven to aspire.  
It is the passion  
Of every man and nation, (Nation.  
It is the good families, and best can guide a  
The Low Land, the high Land,  
And my Land, and the Land,  
Grew all in common straight when Love had left  
On of a land, and this is the land (this Island  
Where peace is panting,  
And rage is ranting,  
Tis an undoubted sign the King of Love is wanting.  
Father and Mother,  
Sister and Brother,  
If Love be lacking, quickly mischief one another.  
Where wrath is, the rod is  
That ruins our bodies;  
With hate the devil is, but where Love is God is  
Then let us not denie it,  
But strive to go about it,  
To bring in Love again, we cannot live without it.

Then let the Grades  
Crown our emblems,  
And let us settle all things in their proper places.  
Let persecution  
Cause dissolution,  
Let all perboynd wealth be made a restitution.



For though now it tickles,  
 'Twill turn all to prickles, (tickles  
 Then let's live in peace, and turn our Swords to  
 When *Noah's* Dove was sent out,  
 Then Gods Pardon went out, (it  
 They that would have it so, I hope, will say Amen to

### A Catch.

**B**Ring forth your Cunny skins, fair maids, to me  
 And hold them fair that I may see  
 Gray, Black, and blew; for your smaller skins  
 I'll give you Glasses, Laces, Pins:  
 And for your whole Cunny  
 I'll give you ready money.

Come, gentle *Jane*, do thou begin  
 With thy black, black, black Cunny skin;  
 And *Mary* then, and *Kate* will follow  
 With their silver'd-hair'd skins, and their yellow;  
 Your white Cunny-skin I will not lay by,  
 Though it be fat, it is fair to the Eye.

Your gray is is warm, but for my money  
 Give me the bonny, benny black Concy;  
 Come away, fair maids, your skins will decay,  
 Come and take money, maids, put your ware away;  
 I have fine Bracelets, Rings,  
 And I have silver Pins;

Concy

Coney skins, Coney skins,  
Maids, have you any Coney skins.

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### *A Catch of the Beggars.*

**F**rom hunger and cold who lives more free,  
Or who lives a merrier life than we;  
Our bellies are full, and our backs are warm,  
And against all Pride our Rags are a Charm;  
Enough is a feast, and for to morrow  
Let rich men care, we feel no sorrow.

The City, and Town, and every village  
Afford us an Alms, or a Pillage;  
And if the weather be cold and raw,  
Then in a Barn we tumble in straw:  
If fair and warm, in yea-Cock and nay-Cock  
The Fields afford us a hedge or a bey-Cock.

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### *The Time-server.*

**R**oom for a Gamester that plaies at all he sees,  
Whose fickle fancy fits such times as these,  
One that saies *Amen* to every fitious prayer,  
From *Hugh Peters* Pulpit to *S. Peters* Chair,  
One that doth desire the Crozier and the Crown.  
But yet can bouze with Blades that Carrouze

Whilst Pottle-pots tumble down, dery down;  
 One that can comply with Surplice and with Cloak,  
 Yet for his end can I depend,  
 Whilst Presbyterian broke *Britains* yoke.

This is the way to trample without trembling,  
 'Tis the Sycophant's only secure,  
*Covenants* and *Oaths* are badges of dissembling,  
 'Tis the politick pulls down the pure:  
 To Profess and betray, to plunder and pray,  
 Is the only ready way to be great,  
 Flattery doth the feat:  
 Ne'r go, ne'r stir, will venter further  
 Than the greatest *Dons* in the Town,  
 From a Copper to a Crown.

I am in a temp'rate humour now to think well,  
 Now I'm in another for to drinke well,  
 Then fill us up a Beer-boul boys, that we  
 May drink it merrily,  
 No knavish Spy shall understan d,  
 For if it should be known,  
 'Tis ten to one we shall be trappan'd.

I'll drink to thee a brace of quarts,  
 Whose Anagram is call'd True Hearts,  
 If all were well as I would ha't,  
 And *Britain* cur'd of its tumour,

I should very well like my Fate,  
 And drink my Sack at a cheaper rate,  
 Without any noise or rumour,  
 Oh then I should fix my humour.

But since 'tis no such matter, change your hue,  
 I may cog and flatter, so may you:  
 Religion is a Widgeon, and Reason is a Treason,  
 And he that hath a Loyal heart may bid the world  
 (adieu).

We must be like the Scottish man,  
 Who with intent to beat down Schism,  
 Brought in the Presbyterian,  
 With Canon and with Catechism:  
 If Beuk won't do it, then Jockey shoot,  
 For the Kirk of Scotland doth command,  
 And what hath been, since they came in,  
 I think w<sup>e</sup> have cause to understand.

### A Song.

Gather your Rose-buds while you may,  
 Gold time is still a flying,  
 For that Flower that smells to day,  
 To morrow will be dying.

That Age is best, which if the force  
 While youth and blood are warmer,

But being she grows worse and worse,  
And still succeeds the former.

The glorious Lamp of Heaven, the Sun,  
The higher he's a getting,  
The sooner will his race be Run,  
And nearer to his setting.

Then be not coy, but use your time,  
And while you may, go marry,  
For if you lose but once your prime  
You may for ever tarry.

### *The Gelding of the Divel.*

**A** Story strange I will you tell  
Of the gelding of the Divel of hell,  
And of the Baker of Mansfield Town,  
That sold his bread both white and brown;  
To Nottingham Market he was bound,  
And riding under the Willows clear  
The Baker sung with a merry cheer.

The Bakers horse was lusty and sound,  
And worth in Judgement full five pound;  
His skin was smooth, and his flesh was fat,  
His Master was well pleas'd with that,  
Which made him sing so merry, merrily  
As he was passing on the way.

But as he rode over the hill  
There met him two devils of hell:  
O Baker, Baker, then cry'd he,  
How comes thy horse so fat to be?  
These be the words the Baker did say,  
Because his stones are cut away.

Then, quoth the divel, if it be so,  
Thou shalt geld me before thou dost go;  
First tye thy horse to yonder tree,  
And with thy knife come and geld me;  
The Baker he had a knife for the nonce  
Wherewith to cut out the devils stones.

The Baker, as it came to pass,  
In haste alighted from his horse,  
And the divel on his back he lay,  
While the Baker cut his stones away,  
Which put the divel to great pain  
And made him to cry out again:

O, quoth the divel, beswew thy heart,  
Thou dost not feel how I do smart,  
And for the deed that thou hast done  
I will revenged be agen,  
And underneath this Green-wood tree  
Next Market day I will geld thee,

The



The Baker then but a little said,  
But at his heart was sore afraid;  
He durst no longer then to stay,  
But he rode hence another way:  
And coming to his Wife, did tell  
How he had gelt the diuel of hell.

Moreover to his Wife he told  
A tale that made her heart full cold,  
How that the diuel to him did say,  
That he would geld him next Market day:  
O, quoth the good wife, without doubt  
I had rather both thy eyes were out.

For then all the people far and near,  
That know thee, will but mock and jeer,  
And good-wives they will scold and brawl,  
And noneleſſe Gelding will thee call;  
Then hold content, and be thou wiſe,  
And I'll ſome pretty trick deviſe.

I'll make the diuel change his note,  
Give me thy Hat, thy Band, and Coat,  
Thy Hoſe and Doublet eke alſo,  
And I like to a man will go;  
I'll warrant thee next Market day  
To fright the diuel clean away.



When the Bakers wife was so drest,  
With all her bread upon her breast,  
To Nottingham Market, that brave Town,  
To sell her bread, both white and brown,  
And riding merrily over the hill,  
O there she spy'd the two divels of hell.

A little divel, and another,  
As they were playing both together;  
Oh ho, quoth the divel, right fain,  
Here comes the Baker riding again:  
Now be thou well, or be thou woe,  
I will geld thee before thou dost go.

The Bakers wife to the divel did say,  
Sir, I was gelded yesterday:  
O, quoth the divel, I mean to see;  
And pulling her coats above her knee,  
And so looking upward from the ground,  
O there he spy'd a terrible wound.

O, quoth the divel, now I see  
That he was not cunning that gelded thee,  
For when that he had cut out the stones,  
He should have closed up the wounds,  
But if thou wilt stay but a little space  
I'll fetch some salve to cure the place.

He

He had not ran but a little way,  
 But up her belly crept a Flea:  
 The little diuel seeing that,  
 He up with his paw and gave her a pat,  
 Which made the good wife for to start,  
 And with that she let go a rowzing fart.

O, quoth the diuel, thy life is not long  
 Thy breath it smells so horrible strong,  
 Therefore go thy way, and make thy will,  
 Thy wounds are past all humane skill;  
 Be gone, be gone, make no delay,  
 For here thou shalt no longer stay.

The good wife with this news was glad,  
 But she left the diuel almost mad;  
 And when she to her husband came,  
 With a joyful heart she told the same,  
 How she had couzned the diuel of hell,  
 Which pleas'd her Husband wondrous well,

### *The Vagabond.*

I Am a Rogue, and a stout one,  
 A most couragious drinker:  
 I do excellently known full well,  
 The Rattle, or Tinker;

Then

Then do I cry, Good your Worship  
Bestow some small Denier a,  
And bravely then at the bouking Ken  
I'll bouze it all in beera.

My dainty Dames and Doxes,  
When that they see lacking,  
Without delay, poor wretches, they  
Will send the Duds a packing:  
Then do I cry, &c.

Ten miles unto a Market  
go to meet a Miser,  
And in the throng I'll nip a bung,  
And the party ne'r the wiser:  
Then do I cry, &c.

If the Centry be coming,  
Then streight it is my fashion,  
My leg I'll tye close to my thigh  
To move them to compassion:  
Then do I cry, &c.

When I hear a Coach come rumbling,  
To my Crutches streight I hyc me,  
For being lame, it is a shame  
Such Gallants should deny me;  
Then do I cry, &c.

My Peg in a string doth lead me  
 When I go into the Town, Sir,  
 For to the blind all men are kind,  
 And with their Alms bestow, Sir;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

I th' winter time stark naked  
 I go into some City,  
 And every man, that spare them can,  
 Will give me cloaths for pity;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

My doublet sleeves hang empty,  
 And for to beg the bolder,  
 For meat and drink my arm I'll shrink  
 Up close unto my shoulder;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

If any gives me lodging  
 A courteous knave they find me,  
 For in my bed, alive; or dead,  
 I leave some Lice behind me;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

If from out the Low Countries  
 I hear a Captains name, Sir,  
 Then straight I'll swear I have been there,  
 And so in fight came lame Sir;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

In *Pauls* Church-yard by a Piller  
 Sometimes you see me stand, Sir,  
 With a writ that shews what eates, what woces  
 I have pass by Sea and Land, Sir;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

Come buy, come buy a Horn-book,  
 Who buys my Pins and Needles:  
 Such things do I in the City cry  
 Oftimes to scape the Beadles;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

Then blame me not for begging,  
 And boasting all alone, Sir,  
 My self I will be praising still,  
 For Neighbours I have none, Sir;  
 Then do I cry, &c.

### *The Jovial Loyallist.*

STay, shut the Gate,  
 ST'other quart, 'faith 'tis not so late  
 As your thinking,  
 The Stars which you see in the Hemisphere be,  
 Are but studs in our cheeks by good drinking;  
 The Sun's gone to tipple all night in the Sea boys,  
 To morrow he'll blush that he's paler than we boys,  
 Drink wine, give him water, 'tis Sack makes us the  
 (boys.  
 Fill

Fill up the Glass,  
 To the next merry Lad let it pass,  
 Come away with't:  
 Let's set foot to foot, and but give our minds to't,  
 'Tis heretical Six that doth slay wit:  
 Then hang up good faces, let's drink till our nose  
 Give freedom to speak what our fancy disposes,  
 Beneath whose protection, now under the rose is,

Drink off your Bowl,  
 'Twill enrich both your head and your soul  
 With Canary;  
 For a carbuncle'd face saves a tedious race,  
 And the *Indies* above us we carry:  
 No *Helicon* like to the juice of good wine is,  
 For *Phæbus* had never had wit that divine is,  
 Had his face not been bow-dy'd as thine is, & mine

This must go round,  
 Off with your hats till the pavement be crown'd  
 With your Bevers.  
 A Red-coated face frights a Sergeant and his Mace,  
 Whilst the Constable trembles to shivers,  
 In state march our faces like some of the *quorum*,  
 While the whores do fall down, & the vulgar adore  
 um,  
 And our noses like Link-boys run shining before  
 um.

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## The Answer.

**H**Old, quaff no more,  
 But restore,  
 If you can, you've lost by your drinking,  
 Three Kingdoms and Crowns,  
 With their Cities and Towns,  
 While the King and his Progeny is sinking;  
 The studs in your cheeks have obscured his star, boys,  
 Your drink and miscarriages in the late war, boys,  
 Hath brought his Perogative thus to the Bar, boys.

Throw down the Glass,  
 He's an Ass  
 That extracts all his worth from Canary:  
 That valour will shrink,  
 Which is only good in drink,  
 'Twas the Cup made the Camp to miscarry.  
 Ye thought in the world there was no power could  
 tame ye,  
 Ye tiple and whor'd kill the Foe overcame ye,  
 Cuds-nigs and ne'r-stir Sir, hath vanquisht God-  
 dam-me.

Fly from the coast,  
 Or y' are lost,  
 And the water will run where the drink went,

From

From hence you must flink,  
If you swear and have no chink,  
'Tis the curse of a Royal Delinquent.  
Ye love to see Beer bowls turn'd over the thumb  
Well,  
Ye love three fair Gamesters, four Dice and a Drum  
Well,  
But you'd as live see the divel as *Oliver Cromwel*.

Drink not the round,  
You'll be drown'd  
In the source of your Sack and your Sonnets,  
Try once more your Fate  
For the Kirk against the State,  
And go barter your Bever for Bonnets:  
I see how you'r charm'd by your female inchanters,  
And therefore pack hence to *Virginia* for planters,  
For an act and two red-coats will rout all the Ran-  
ters.

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A Catch.

Had she not care enough, care enough,  
Care enough of the old man?  
Shewed him, she fed him,  
And to the bed she led him;  
For seven long winters she lifted him on:  
But oh how she negl'd him, negl'd him,  
Oh how she negl'd him all the night long!

*A Catch.*

Here's a Health unto his Majesty with a Fa la la, &c.  
 Conversion to his enemies with a Fa la la, &c.  
 And he that will not pledge this Health,  
 I wish him neither wit nor wealth,  
 Nor yet a Rope to hang himself with a Fa la la, &c.

*Good Advice against Treason.*

**B**UT since it was lately enacted high Treason  
 For a man to speak truth against the head of a  
 State,

Let every wise man make use of his reason, (prate,

To think what he will, but take heed what he  
 For the Proverb doth learn us, (skin,

He that staies from the battel sleeps in a whole

And our words are our own, if we keep them within,

What fools are we then that to prattle do begin,

Of things that do not concern us.

Tis no matter to me who &c gets the battel,

The Tubs or the Crosses, tis all one to me,

It neither increaseth my goods nor my cattel,

A beggar's a beggar, and so he shall be, &c

Unless he turn Traytor.

Let Misers take courses to hoard up their treasure,

Whose bounds have no limits whose minds have  
 no measure.

But

Let me be but quiet, and take a little pleasure,

A little contents my own nature.

But what if the Kingdom returns to one of the

Prime ones?

My mind is a Kingdom, and so it shall be,

I'll make it appear, if I had but the time once,

He's as happy in one, as they are in three,

If he might but enjoy it

He that's mounted aloft, is a mark for the Fate,

And an envy to every pragmatistical pate,

Whilst he that is low is safe in his estate,

And the great ones do scorn to annoy him.

I count him no wit that is gifted in rayling,

And flurting at those that above him do sit, (ling,

Whilst they do out-wit him with whipping and goa-

His purse and his person must pay for his wit :

But it is better to be drinking,

If Sack were reform'd to twelve pence a quart,

I'd study for money to Merchandize for't, (sport,

With a friend that is willing in mirth we would

Not a word ; but we'd pay it with thinking,

My petition shall be that Canary be cheaper,

Without either Custom, or cursed Excize,

That the wits may have freedom to drink deeper  
and deeper,

And not be undone whilst our Noses we baptize,

But we'll liquor them, and drench them ;

If this were but granted, who would not desire,  
 To dub himseife one of *Apollo's* acquire?  
 And then we will drink whilst our Noses are on fire,  
 And the quart-pots shall be Buckets to quench  
 them.

*The feasting of the Diuel by Ben-  
 Johnson.*

**C**ook-Lanrel would needs haue the diuel his guest,  
 And bad him, once into the *Peake* to dinner;  
 Where never the Fiend had such a Feast  
 Provided him at the charge of a sinner.

His Stomack was queasie (for comming there coacht)  
 The jogging had caused some crudities rise,  
 To help it he call'd for a Puritan poacht,  
 That used to turn up the eggs of his eyes.

And so recovered unto his wish,  
 He sate him down, and he fell to eat;  
 Promooter in plum-broath was the first dish;  
 His own priuy Kitchin had no such meat.

Yet though with this he much were taken,  
 Upon a sudden he shifted his trencher;  
 As soone as he spide the bawd, and bacon,  
 By this you may note the diuel's a wencher.

Six pickled Taylors sliced and cut,  
Sempsters, Tire-women fit for his pallet,  
With feather-men, and perfumers put,  
Some twelve in a Charger to make a grand sallet.

A rich fat Usurer stew'd in his Marrow,  
And by him a Lawyers head and Green-sawce;  
Both which his belly took in like a barrow,  
As if till then he had never seen sawce.

Then carbinadoed, and cookt with pains  
Was brought up a cloven Serjeants Face;  
The sawce was made of the Yeomans brains,  
That had been beaten out with his own Maec.

Two roasted Sheriffs came whole to the board,  
(The Feast had nothing been without 'um,)  
Both living and dead they were Fox'd and Fur'd;  
Their chains like Sawlages hung about 'um.

The very next dish was the Mayor of a town,  
With a pudding of maintenance thrust in his belly;  
Like a Goose in the Feathers drest in his Gown,  
And his couple of Hinch boys boyld to a jelly.

A London Cuckold hot from the Spit,  
And when the Carver up had broke him,  
The diuel chopt up his head at a bit, (him.  
But the horns were very near like to have choakt



The Chine of a Leacher too there was roasted,  
 With a plump Harlots haunch and Garlick;  
 A Panders pettitoes that had boasted  
 Himself a Captain, yet never was warlike.

A large fat Pasty of a Mid-wife hot,  
 And for a cold bak't meat into the story,  
 A reverend painted Lady was brought,  
 And coffin'd in crust, till now she was hoary.

To these, an over-grown Justice of peace  
 With a Clark like a gizard thrust under each arm,  
 And warrants for suppers, laid in his own grease  
 Set over a chafing-dish to be kept warm.

The Jowle of a Jaylor served for Fish,  
 A Constable souz'd with Vinegar by,  
 Two Alder-men Lobsters asleep in a dish,  
 A Deputy tart, a Church-warden pyc.

All which devoured, he then for a close,  
 Did for a full draught of *Darby* call,  
 He heav'd the huge Vessel up to his Nose,  
 And left not till he had drunk up all.

Then from the Table he gave a start,  
 Where banquet and wine were nothing scarce;  
 All which he started away with a Fart,  
 From whence it was called the divels Arse.



And there he made such a breach with the wind,  
The hole too standing open the while,  
That the scent of the Vapour before and behind,  
Hath foully perfum'd most part of the Isle.

And this was Tobacco, the Learned suppose,  
Which since in Country, Court, and Town,  
In the divels Glister-pipe smoakes at the Nose  
Of Polcat and Madam, of Gallant, and Clown.

From which wicked weed, with Twines-flesh & Ling,  
Or any thing else that's feast for the Fiend,  
Our Captains and we cry God save the King,  
And send him good meat, & Mirth without end.

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*A Catch.*

**A** Fig for eare, why should we spare  
The Parish is bound to find us,  
For thou and I and all must dye,  
And leave the world behind us.

The Clerk shall Sing, the Bells shall Ring  
And the Old Wives wind us;  
Sir John shall lay our Bones in Clay,  
Where no body means to find us.

*The Virtue of Wine.*

**L** Et Souldiers fight for praise, and pay,  
 And Money bid the Misers with;  
 Poor Scholars study all the day,  
 And gluttons glory in their dish;  
 'Tis wine, 'tis wine revives sad souls,  
 Therefore give me the chearing bowls,

Let Minions marshal every hair,  
 And in a Lovers lock delight,  
 And artificial colours wear,  
 We have the native red and white;  
 'Tis wine, Pure wine, &c,

Take Pheasant, Puet, and Culvered Salmon,  
 And how to please your Pallats think;  
 Give us a salt Westphalia gammon,  
 Not meat to eat, but meat to drink;  
 'Tis wine, pure wine, &c.

Some have the Ptytick, some the Rheume,  
 Some have the Palsie, some the Gout;  
 Some swell with fat, and some consume,  
 But they are sound that drink all out;  
 'Tis wine, tis wine, &c.

Some

Some men want Wit, and some want Wealth;  
Some want a Wife, and some want a Punk;  
Some men want Food, and some want Health,  
But he wants nothing that is drunk;  
'Tis wine, 'tis pure wine, &c.

It makes the backward Spirits brave,  
Them lively, that before were dull;  
Those grow good Fellows that are grave,  
And kindness springs from Cups brim-full;  
'Tis wine, 'tis wine revives sad soules,  
Therefore give me the Charming bowles.

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A Catch.

(sings.)

**N**E'er trouble thy self at the times or their tur-  
Afflictions run Circular and wheel about,  
Away with thy murmurings, & thy heart-burnings,  
With the juice of the Grape we'll quench the fire  
Ne'er chain nor imprison thy soul up in sorrow,  
What failes us to-day, may befriend us to morrow,  
Let us scorn our content from others to borrow.

## A Catch.

**T**Hree merry boys came out of the West,  
 To make Salt-peter strong;  
 They turn'd it into Gunpowder,  
 To charge the Kings Canon;  
 And so let this health go round, go round,  
 And so let this health go round,  
 Although thy stocking be made of Silk  
 Thy knee shall touch the ground.  
 God bless his Majesty,  
 And send him Victory.  
 Over his Enemy's  
 All or none.

## A Loves Song.

**C**alm was the Evening, and clear was the Skie,  
 And new budding Flowers did spring,  
 When all alone went Amyntas and I  
 To hear the sweet Nightingale sing.  
 I sat, and he laid him down by me,  
 And scarcely his breath he could draw,  
 But when with a fear,  
 He began to come near,  
 He was dash't with a ah, ah, ah.

He

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He blusht to himself, and lay still for a while,  
And his modesty curb'd his desire,  
But streightly convinc'd all his fears with a smile,  
And added new flames to his fire.  
Ah *Silvia*, said he, you are cruel,  
To keep your poor Lover in awe,  
Then once more he prest  
With his hands to my brest,  
But was dash't with a ah, ah, ah.

I knew 'twas his passions caus'd all his fear,  
And therefore I pitied his case,  
I whisper'd him softly, there's nobody neary,  
And laid my cheek close to his face:  
But as he grew bolder and bolder,  
A shepheard came by us and saw,  
And just as our bliss  
Began with a Kiss:  
He burst out with a Ha, Ha, ha, Ha.

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## The Brewers Praise.

Here's many a blinking verse was made  
In honour of the Blacksmiths trade,  
But more of the Brewers may be said,  
Which no body can deny.

I need not else but this repeat,  
The Blacksmith cannot be compleat,  
Unless the Brewer do give him a heat,  
Which no body, &c.

When Smug unto his Forge doth come  
Unless the Brewer doth liquor him home  
Could ne'er strike my pot and thy pot Tom,  
Which no body, &c.

Of all the Professions in the Town,  
This Brewers trade did gain renown,  
His liquor once reacht up to the Crown,  
Which no body, &c.

Much blood from him did spring,  
Of all the trades this was the King,  
The Brewer had got the world in a sling,  
Which no body, &c.

Though Honour be a Princess daughter,  
The Brewer will woe her in blood and slaughter,  
And win her, or else it shall cost him hot water,  
Which no body, &c.

He fear'd no powder, nor martial stops,  
But whipt Armies as round as tops,  
And cut off his foes as thick as hops,  
Which no body, &c.



He div'd for riches down to the bottom,  
And cri'd, my Masters, when he had got 'um,  
Let every Tub stand upon his own bottom,  
Which no body, &c.

In warlike Arts he scorn'd to stoop,  
For when his party began to droop,  
He'd bring them all up as round as a hoop,  
Which no body, &c.

The Jewish Scots, who fear to eat  
The flesh of Swine, our brewers beat, (treat  
Twas the sight of their hogsheads made them to re-  
Which no body, &c.

Poor *Fockie* and his basket-hilt  
Was beaten, and much bloud was spilt,  
When their bodies, like barrels, did run a tilt,  
Which no body, &c.

Though *Jimmy* did give the first assault,  
The Brewer he made them at length to halt,  
And gave them what the Cat left in the maul,  
Which no body, &c.

They did not only bang the Kirk,  
But in *Ireland* too they did as much work,  
Twas the Brewer made them surrender *Cork*,  
Which no body, &c.

This



This was a stout Brewer, of whom we may brag,  
 But since he was hurried away with a hag,  
 We have brew'd in a bottle, and bak'd in a bag,  
 Which no body, &c.

They said that Antichrist came to settle  
 Religion within a Cooler and a Kettle,  
 His Nose and his Copper were both of a mettle,  
 Which no body, &c.

He had a strong, and a very stout heart,  
 And look'd to be made an Emperour for't,  
 But the Diuel did set a spoke in his Cart,  
 Which no body, &c.

The Christian Kings began to quake,  
 And said, with that Brewer no quarrels we'll make  
 We'll let him alone, as he brews let him bake,  
 Which no body, &c.

But yet by the way you must needs understand,  
 He kept all his Passions so under command,  
 Pride never could get the upper-hand,  
 Which no body, &c.

And now may all stout souldiers say,  
 Farewell the glory of the Dray,  
 For the Brewer himself is turn'd to Clay,  
 Which no body, &c.

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Thus fell a brave Brewer the bold son of slaughter,  
Who need not to fear much what should follow after,  
That dealt all his life-time in fire and water,  
Which no body, &c.

And if his Successor had had but his might,  
We all had not been in that pitiful plight,  
But alas, he was found many grains to light,  
Which no body, &c.

Though Wine be a Juice sweet, pleasant, and pure,  
This Trade doth such pleasure and profit procure,  
That every Vintner in Town is turn'd Brewer,  
Which no body, &c.

But now let's leave singing, and drink off our Bub,  
Let's call for a Reckoning, and every man club,  
For I think I have told you a Tale of a Tub,  
Which no body can deny.

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## The Song of the Blacksmith.

OF all the Trades that ever I see, (be;  
There's none to the Blacksmith compared may  
With so many several tooles works he,  
Which no body can deny.

The first that ever Thunderbolts made  
Was a Cyclops of the Blacksmiths Trade,  
As in a Learned Author is said,  
Which no body, &c.

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When thundring like we strike about,  
The fire like Lightning flashes out,  
Which suddenly with water we d'out,  
Which no body, &c.

The fairest Goddeſſes in the ſkies,  
To marry with *Vulcan* did adviſe,  
And he was a Blackſmith grave and wiſe,  
Which no body, &c.

*Vulcan* he to do her right,  
Did build her a Town by day and by night,  
And gave it a name which was *Hammerſmiths* hight,  
Which no body, &c.

*Vulcan* further did acquaint her,  
That a pretty Eſtate he would appoint her,  
And leave her *Seacoal-lane* for a Joynter,  
Which no body, &c.

And that no enemy might wrong her,  
He built her a fort, you'd wiſh no ſtronger,  
Which was in the lane of *Ironmonger*,  
Which no body, &c.

*Smithfield* he did cleanſe from durt,  
And ſure there was great Reaſon for't,  
For there he meant ſhe ſhould keep her Court,  
Which no body, &c.

But

But after in a good time and tide,  
It was by the Blacksmith rectifi'd  
To the honour of *Edmund Ironside*,  
Which no body, &c.

*Vulcan* after made a traine,  
Wherein the God of war was tane,  
Which ever since hath been call'd *Paul's* chaine,  
Which no body, &c.

The common Proverb as it is read,  
That a man must hit the naile on the head,  
Without the Blacksmith cannot be said,  
Which no body, &c.

Another must not be forgot,  
And falls unto the Blacksmiths lot,  
That a man strike while the Iron is hot,  
Which no body, &c.

Another comes in most proper and fit,  
The Blacksmiths justice is seen in it,  
When you give a man roast & beat him with the spit  
When no body, &c.

Another comes in our Blacksmiths way,  
When things are safe, as old wives say,  
We have them under lock and key,  
Which no body, &c.

Another that's in the Blacksmiths books,  
And only to him for remedy looks,  
Is when a man's quite off the hooks,  
Which no body, &c.

Another Proverb to him doth belong,  
And therefore let's do the Blacksmith no wrong,  
When a man's held to it buckle and thong,  
VWhich no body, &c.

Another Proverb doth make me laugh,  
Wherein the Blacksmith may challenge half,  
When a Reason's as plain as a Pike staffe,  
Which no body, &c.

Though your Lawyers travel both near and far,  
And by long pleading a good cause may mar,  
Yet your Blacksmith takes more pains at the Bar,  
Which no body, &c.

Though your Scrivener seek to crush and to kill  
By his counterfeit deed, and thereby doth ill,  
Yet your Blacksmith may forge what he will,  
Which no body, &c.

Though your bankrupt Citizens lurk in their holes  
And laugh at their Creditors, and their Catchpoles  
Yet your Blacksmith can fetch them over the coals  
VWhich no body, &c.

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Though *Jackie* in the stable be never so neat  
To look to his nag, and prescribe him his meat,  
Yet your Blacksmith knows better how to give a  
Which no body, &c. (heat,

If any Taylor have the Itch,  
The Blacksmiths water, as black as pitch,  
Will make his hands go thorough stich,  
Which no body, &c.

There's never a slut, if filth o'r smutch her,  
But owes to the Blacksmith for her leacher,  
For without a pair of tongues there's no man will  
Which no body, &c. (touch her,

Your roaring boy, who every one Quails,  
Fights, domineers, swaggers, and rayls,  
Could never yet make the Smith eat his Nails,  
Which no body, &c.

If a Schollar be in doubt,  
And cannot well bring his matter about,  
The Blacksmith he can hammer it out,  
Which no body, &c.

Now if to know him you would desire,  
You must not scorn, but rank him higher,  
For what he gets, is out of the fire,  
Which no body, &c.



Now here's a good health to Blacksmiths all,  
 And let it go round, as round as a ball;  
 We'll drink it all off, though it cost us a fall,  
 Which no body can deny.

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### *The Gypsies, a Catch.*

**C**ome my dainty doxies,  
 My Dove, my Darle, my Dear,  
 We have neither meat nor drink,  
 Yet never want good chear;  
 We take no care for Candle, Rents,  
 We lye, we swear, we snort in Tents,  
 Come rouse betimes  
 All you that love your dinners,  
 Our store now taken  
 With Pigs, Hens, and Bacon,  
 And that's good meat for sinners.

At Fairs and Wakes we cuzzen  
 Poor Country Folk by the dozen;  
 Some come to disburfes,  
 And some to pick purses;  
 We for want of use  
 We steal both hose and shoes,  
 Gilded Spurs with jingling Rowels,  
 Shirts or Smocks, Sheets or Towels;

*Come*



Come live with us all you that love your ease,  
He that's a Gipsie may be drunk when he please,  
We laugh, we quaff, we roar, we snuffle  
We drink, we Drab, we cheat, we shuffle,

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*In imitation of Come my Daphne, a  
Dialogue betwixt Pluto and Oliver.*

*Pluto* **C**ome Imp Royal, come away,  
Into black night we will turn bright day.

*Oliver.* 'Tis *Pluto* calls, what would my Syre?

*Pluto.* Come follow to the Stygian fire.

Where *Ireton* doth wait to welcome thee in

*Oliver.* Were I in bed with my sweet wife, (State.

I'd quit those joys for such a life.

*Pluto.* My Princely *Nol* make hast,

For thee we keep a fast.

*Oliver.* In these dismal shades will I

Unto thee unfold my Villany.

*Pluto.* In my bosome I'll thee lay,

For thy sake we'll all keep holy day.

*Chorus.* We'll rage and roar, and fry in flames,

And *Charles* himself shall see

How damn'dly we agree,

Yet scorn to change our Chains

For his Eternal diety.

## A Catch.

(for me,  
**T**He *wise men* were but seven, ne'r more shall be  
 The *Muses* were but 9, the *worthies* 3 times 3;  
 And three merry boys, & three merry boys are we;

The *Vertues* were but seven. & three the greater be;  
 The *Cæsars* they were twelve, & the fatal Sisters three;  
 And three merry Girles, & three merry Girles are  
 (we.

## The Power of Wine.

**H**ow poor is his Spirit, how lost is his name?  
 Deceiveth Opinion, and curtels his Fame,  
 When as his design turns neer to their hate,  
 'Twixt shall I, and shall I suspects their one wait,  
 Hath traffickt for honour, but lost the whole freight  
 He that's stout in the front, but not so in the rear,  
 Doth forfeit his Fame, and is cowed down by fear.

A small part of honour to him doth belong,  
 Consults not his glory, but faints in the throng,  
 That fears to embrace what his Country doth vote,  
 And yields up her liberty to a Red-coat;  
 Sure *Midsommer* is near, and some men do doat,

Like the bold Romans, whose Fame ever rings  
That kept in subjection such pitiful things.

He that will be Bugbear'd is turn'd again Child,  
A Reed than a Scepter is fitter to wield ;  
Examine that story, no story you'll find  
Than saving that story that Cat will to kind ;  
The world is deluded, the Commonwealth blind,  
Your false stamps of honor proves but copper mettle  
And Fame sounds as loud from a tinkers old kettle.

He that hath past the Pike, and sound Canon-free,  
Which shews that no curse from his Parents could be,  
Had a soul so devout made killing a trade,  
And now to retreat at the scent of a blade, (made,  
Doth shew of what mould our Knight-errant is  
He that flags in his flight when his ambition soars  
Doth stab his own merit, & gives fame the lye. (high

Then Cicero-like you gown-men drench cares,  
O'rwhelm'd with your own & your Countries af-  
And Pulpit-men to be as ayry as he ; (fairs,  
Do you but preach Sack up, we'll ne'r disagree  
That Common-wealth's best that is the most free,  
Then fret not, nor care not, when the Sack's in our  
We fancy a King up, or fancy him down. (Crown,

## The mad Zealot.

**A**M I mad, O noble *Festus*,  
 When zeal and godly knowledge  
 Have put me in hope  
 To deal with the Pope,  
 As well as the best in the Colledge?  
 Boldly I preach, hate a Cross, hate a Surplice,  
 Miters, Copes, and Rochets:  
 Come hear me pray nine times a day,  
 And fill your heads with Crotchets.

In the house of pure *Emanuel*  
 I had my Education,  
 Where my friends surmise  
 I dazell'd mine eyes  
 With the light of Revelation,  
 Boldly I preach, &c.

They bound me like a Beldam,  
 They lasht my four poor quarters;  
 Whilst this I endure,  
 Faith makes me sure  
 To be one of *Foxes* Martyrs,  
 Boldly I preach, &c.

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These injuries I suffer  
Through Antichrists perswasions;  
Take off this chain,  
Neither Rome nor Spain  
Can resist my strong invasions,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

Of the beasts ten horns ( God bless us )  
Have knockt off three already :  
If they let me alone,  
I'll leave him none :  
But they say I am too heady.  
Boldly I preach, &c.

When I Sack'd the seven hill'd City,  
Met the great red Dragon :  
Kept him aloof,  
With the armour of proof,  
Though here I have never a rag on  
Boldly I preach, &c.

With a fiery Sword and Target  
There fought I with this Monster ;  
But the sons of pride  
My zeal deride,  
And all my deeds misconstr.  
Boldly I preach, &c.

I unhors'd the whore of *Babel*  
With a Lance of Inspirations:  
I made her stink,  
And spill her drink  
In the cup of Abominations,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

I have seen two in a Vision,  
With a flying Book between them:  
I have been in despair  
Five times a year,  
And cur'd by reading *Greenham*,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

I observ'd in *Perkins* Tables  
The black Lines of Damnation,  
Those crooked veins  
So stuck in my brains,  
That I fear'd my Reprobation,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

In the holy land of Canaan  
I plac'd my chiefest pleasure,  
Till I prick't my foot,  
With an Hebrew root,  
That I bled beyond all measure,  
Boldly I preach, &c.

appear'd before th' Archbishop,  
and all the High Commission :  
gave him no Grace,  
but told him to his face  
That he favour'd Superstition,  
Boldly I preach, hate a Cross, hate a Surplice,  
Misers, Copes, and Rochets :  
Come hear me pray nine times a day,  
And fill your heads with Crotchets.

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*Drunk with Love.*

I doat, I dōat, but am a Sot to shew it,  
I was a very fool to let her know it,  
for now she doth so cunning grow,  
and proves a friend worse than a Foe,  
she will not hold me fast, nor let me go :  
She tells me I cannot forsake her,  
Then straight I endeavour to leave her,  
But to make me stay throws a kiss in my way,  
O then I could tarry for ever.

Thus I retire, salute, and sit down by her  
There do I fry in frost, and freeze in fire ;  
Now nectar from her lips I sup,  
And though I cannot drink all up,  
Yet I am Fox'd with kissing of the Cup:



For her lips are two brimmers of Clarret,  
 Where first I began to miscarry,  
 Her breasts of delight are two bottles of White,  
 And her eyes are two cups of Canary,

Drunk, as I live, dead drunk beyond reprieve,  
 For all my secrets dribble through a sieve;  
 About my neck her arms she layeth,  
 Now all is Gospel that she saith,  
 Which I lay hold on with my fuddled faith;  
 I find a fond Lover's a Drunkard,  
 And dangerous is when he flies out,  
 With hips, and with lips, with black eyes & white  
 Blind *Cupid* sure tipled his eyes out. (thighs)

She bids me rise, tells me I must be wise,  
 Like her, for she's not in love she cries;  
 This makes me fret, and fling, and throw,  
 Shall I be fettered to my foe?

I begin to run, but cannot go;  
 I prethee, sweet, use me more kindly,  
 You were better to hold me fast,  
 If you once disengage your bird from his cage,  
 Believe it he'll leave you at last.

Like Sot I sit, that fill'd the Town with wit,  
 But now confess I have most need of it;  
 I have been fox'd with Duck and Deer  
 Above a quarter of a year

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Beyond the cure of sleeping, or small beer;  
I think I can number the Months too,  
*July, August, September, October,*  
Thus goes my account, a mischief light on't,  
But sure I shall go when I'm sober.

My Legs are lam'd, my courage is quite tam'd,  
My heart and all my body is inflam'd,  
As by experience I can prove,  
And swear by all the Powers above,  
'Tis better to be drunk with wine than love:  
For 'tis Sack makes us merry and witty,  
Our foreheads with Jewels adorning,  
Although we do grope, yet there's some hope  
That a man may be sober next morning.

Thus, with command, she throws me from her hand,  
And bids me go, yet knows I cannot stand;  
I measure all the ground by trips,  
Was ever Sot so drunk with sips,  
Or can a man be overseen with lips?  
I pray Madam fickle be faithful,  
And leave off your damnable dodging,  
Then do not deceive me, either love me or leave  
Or let me go home to my lodging. (me,

I have too much, and yet my folly is such,  
I cannot hold, but must have t'other touch;  
Here's a health to the King: how now?

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I'm drunk and speak treason I vow,  
 Lovers and Fools say any thing you know ;  
 I fear I have tired your patience,  
 But I'm sure 'tis I have the wrong on't ;  
 My wits are bereft, and all I have left  
 Is scarce enough to make a Song on't ;  
 My Mistris and I shall never comply,  
 And there's the short and the long on't.

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*A Present to a Lady.*

**L**adies I do here present you  
 With a token Love hath sent you ;  
 'Tis a thing to sport and play with,  
 Such another pretty thing  
 For to pass the time away with ;  
 Prettier sport was never seen ;

Name I will not, nor define it,  
 Sure I am you may devine it :  
 By those modest looks I guess it,  
 And those eyes so full of fire,  
 That I need no more express it,  
 But leave your fancies to admire.

Yet as much of it be spoken  
 In the praise of this love-token :  
 'Tis a wash that far surpasseth

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For the cleansing of your blood,  
All the Saints may bless your faces,  
Yet not do you so much good.

Were you ne'r so melancholly,  
It will make you blithe and jolly;  
Go no more, no more admiring,  
When you feel your spleen's amiss,  
For all the drinks of Steel and Iron  
Never did such cures as this.

It was born in th' Isle of Man  
*Venus* nurs'd it with her hand,  
She puffed it up with milk and pap,  
And lull'd it in her wanton lap,  
So ever since this Monster can  
In no place else with pleasure stand.

*Colossus* like, between two Rocks,  
I have seen him stand and shake his locks,  
And when I have heard the names  
Of the sweet Saterian Dames,  
O he's a Champion for a Queen,  
'Tis pity but he should be seen.

Nature, that made him, was so wise  
As to give him neither tongue nor eyes,  
Supposing he was born to be  
The Instrument of Jealousie,

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Yet here he can, as Poets feign,  
Cure a Ladies love-sick brain.

He was the first that did betray  
To mortal eyes the milky way ;  
He is the *Proteus* cunning Ape  
That will beget you any shape ;  
Give him but leave to act his part,  
And he'll revive your saddest heart.

Though he want legs, yet he can stand,  
With the least touch of your soft hand ;  
And though, like *Cupid*, he be blind,  
There's never a hole but he can find ;  
If by all this you do not know it,  
Pray Ladies give me leave to shew it.

### A Combate of Cocks.

**G**O you tame Gallants, you that have the name,  
And would accounted be Cocks of the Game,  
That have brave spurs to shew for't, and can crow,  
And count all dunghil breed that cannot shew  
Such painted Plumes as yours ; that think no vice,  
With Cock-like lust to tread your Cockatrice ;  
Though Peacocks, Wood-cocks, Weather-cocks you be,  
If y' are no fighting-cocks, y' are not for me ;

I of two feather'd Combatants will write,  
 He that to th' life means to express the fight,  
 Must make his ink o' th' bloud which they did spill;  
 And from their dying wings borrow his quill.

**N**O sooner were the doubtfull people set  
 The matches made, and all that would had bet,  
 But straight the skilful Judges of the Play,  
 Bring forth their sharp-heel'd Warriours, and they  
 Were both in linnen bags, as if 'twere meet;  
 Before they dy'd to have their winding sheet:  
 With that in th' pit they are put, & when they were  
 Both on their feet, the Norfolk Chanticleere  
 Looks stoutly at his ne'r-before seen foe,  
 And like a Challenger begins to crow,  
 And shakes his wings, as if he would display  
 His warlike Colours, which were black and gray:  
 Mean time the wary *Wisebick* walks and breaths  
 His active body, and in fury wreaths  
 His comely crest, and often looking down,  
 He whets his angry beak upon the ground:  
 With that they meet, not like the coward breed  
 Of *Aesop*, that can better fight than feed.  
 They scorn the dung-hill, 'tis their only prize,  
 To dig for Pearl within each others eyes:  
 They fight so long, that it was hard to know  
 To th' skilful, whether they did fight or no,  
 Had not the bloud which died the fatal floor  
 Born witness of it; yet they fight the more,



As if each wound were but a spur to prick  
Their fury forward : lightning's not more quick  
Nor red than were their eyes : 'twas hard to know  
Whether 'twas bloud or anger made them so :  
And sure they had been out, had they not stood  
More safe by being fenced in by blood.  
Yet still they fight, but now ( alas ) at length  
Although their courage be full tried, their strength  
And bloud began to ebbe ; you that have seen  
A water-combat on the Sea, between  
Two roaring angry boyling billows, how  
They march, and meet, and dash their curled brows,  
Swelling like graves, as if they did intend  
T'intomb each other, ere the quarrel end :  
But when the wind is down, and blustering weather,  
They are made friends, & sweetly run together, ( low  
May think these champions such, their combs grow  
And they that leapt even now, now scarce can go :  
Their wings which lately at each blow they clapt  
( As if they did applaud themselves ) now flap.  
And having lost the advantage of the heel,  
Drunk with each others bloud they only reel.  
From either eyes such drops of bloud did fall,  
As if they wept them for their Funeral.  
And yet they would fain fight, they come so near,  
As if they meant into each others ear  
To whisper death ; and when they cannot rise,  
They lie and look blows in each others eyes.



But now the Tragick part after the fight,  
 When *Norfolk* Cock had got the best of it,  
 And *Wisbich* lay a dying, so that none,  
 Though sober, but might venture seven to one,  
 Contracting ( like a dying Tapre ) all  
 His force, as meaning with that blow to fall ;  
 He struggles up, and having taken wind,  
 Ventures a blow, and strikes the other blind.  
 And now Poor *Norfolk* having lost his eyes,  
 Fights only guided by th' Antipathies:  
 With him ( alas ) the proverb holds not true,  
 The blows his eyes ne'er see, his heart most rue.  
 At length by chance, he stumbling on his foe,  
 Not having any power to strike a blow,  
 He falls upon him with a wounded head,  
 And makes his conquered wings his Feather-bed,  
 Where lying sick, his friends were very chary  
 Of him, and fetcht in haste an Apothecary ;  
 But all in vain, his body did so blister,  
 That 'twas uncapable of any Glister,  
 Wheresoever at length, opening his fainting bill,  
 He call'd a Scrivener, and thus made his Will.

**I**Nprimis, Let it never be forgot,  
 My body freely I bequeath to th' pot,  
 Decently to be boyl'd, and for its tomb,  
 Let it be buried in some hungry womb.  
 Item, Executors I will have none,  
 But he that on my side laid seven to one :

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*But he that on my side laid seven to one :*

And like a Gentleman that he may live,  
 To him and to his heirs my comb I give;  
 Together with my brains, that all may know,  
 That fien times his brains did use to crow.  
 Item, it is my Will to the weaker ones,  
 Whose wives complain of them, I give my stones;  
 To him that's dull, I do my spurs impart,  
 And to the Coward, I bequeath my heart:  
 To Ladies that are light, it is my will,  
 My feathers should be giv'n; and for my bill,  
 I'd giv't a Taylor, but it is so short,  
 That I'm afraid he'l rather curse me for't:  
 And for the Apothecaries fee, who meant  
 To give me a Glisten, let my Rump be sent,  
 Lastly, because I feel my life decay,  
 I yield, and give to Wisbich Cock the day.

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### In praise of Sack.

**C**ome faith let's frolick, fill some Sack,  
 For then we shall not lack  
 Food for the belly, nor physick for the back,  
 This Beer breeds the Chollick, let us spread  
 Our Cheeks with Royal Red,  
 And then we'll sing, hey toss the divel's dead,  
 To Faction we never more will bow the knee:  
 Great Britains fate in faith 'twas long of thee.

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You may see what Madam *England* hath been at  
When we behold her Nose is tahn so flat.

To Wine we'll build a Shrine,  
And an Altar divine,  
High as the sign, where thy red nose and mine  
Like Tapers shall shine:

Then let's drink for the Bets, 'tis the loser that gets,  
In spight of their threats, and our Creditors nets,  
We'll drink off our debts,

Where he that's dead drunk, shall be  
Laid out in state, as well as he  
Whose dignity the only objects be  
Of new Idolatry.

We'll guard his corps like a Bride  
To the grave-side, so copious and wide,  
With as much pride as he that lately dyed,  
The Railing set aside.

Fifty red-faces free, shall his Torch-bearers be;  
Six maudlin mourners his Coffin shall carry,  
There we will tippie free unto the memory  
Of our fraternity drown'd in Canary:  
In the Divil-Tavern we commonly will shew him,  
We'll bury him from the divel,  
Others fair men to him.

We'll be blythe and trimmer,  
We'll have Musick to——

Jews-harp, tongues and Skimmer,  
Thy Cup — my Cup —  
Bar-boy fill the other brimmer,  
Fly cup — strike up — there boy,  
Till our eyes do grow dimmer.

Money shall be spent in Bays,  
Every pen shall vent a praise  
And a Monument we'll raise  
Over his bones.

Where his Epitaph shall be,  
That he dyed in Loyalty,  
Never gain'd by Cruelty,  
Kingdoms, nor Crowns.

That he never lived by injury,  
Nor confounded men for forgery,  
Neither put a prop of Perjury  
Under his thrones;

That although he drank his Cares away,  
And sometimes his Loyal fears away,  
Yet he never drank the tears away  
Of Orphans Groans.

Thus he shall be both frolick and free,  
Who's kindly kill'd with Canary,  
With red and white, or other delight,  
If rippling makes him miscarry,  
Provided he Bachanel be,  
And scorns to admit of a parley

With

With Ale or Beer, or other such geer,  
Polluted with Hop or with Barley,  
Good wine doth ring; like Priest and King,  
But 'tis Ale that looks like a Lay-man,  
Then for the Vincyard draw your Whynyard,  
The Divel go with the Dray-man.

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*A Maidenhead.*

**V** V Hat is that you call a Maidenhead?  
A thing oft smothered in a bed,  
Which some have now, which all have had,  
Which freely given makes one sad.

'Tis got for nought with little pain;  
'Tis kept, but lost, not got again;  
'Tis that you call a Maidenhead,  
By proving quick 'tis ever dead.

A lump which Lasses bear about  
Till putting in doth put it out;  
A herb it is which proves a weed  
When first the husk doth bear a Seed.

It's that a Maidenhead we call,  
A thing by standing made to fall;  
It is a Maiden-head, say we,  
That's kept by holding close the knee.

Which



Which youths were often used to lurch,  
 Which Brides do seldom bear to Church;  
 At fifteen rare, at eighteen strange,  
 VVhich either lose when two do change.

That fit's when Maidens begin to reack,  
 VVhen ere it parts, it makes them squeak,  
 And being gone, they streight repent :  
 This by a Maidenhead is meant.

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*The Night encounter.*

**W**Hen *Phæbus* had drest his course to the West  
 To take up his rest below,  
 And *Cynthia* agreed in her glittering weed  
 Her light in his stead to bestow :  
 I walking alone, attended by none,  
 I suddenly heard one cry,  
     O do not, do not kill me yet,  
     For I am not prepared to dye.

At length I drew near to see and to hear,  
 And straight did appear to shew,  
 The Moon was so bright, I saw such a sight  
 It's fit no Wight should it know :  
 A man and a maid together were laid,  
 And ever she said, nay fie,  
     O do not, &c.

The youth was so tough he pull'd up her stuff,  
And to blindman-buff he did go,  
Though still she did lye, yet still she did cry,  
And put him but by with a no;  
But he was so strong, and she was so young,  
That she rested a while for to cry,  
O do not, &c.

Thus striving in vain, well pleased again,  
She vowed to remain his foe,  
She kept such a coyl, when he gave her the foyl,  
The greater the broyl did grow;  
For he was prepar'd, and did not regard  
Her words, when he heard her cry,  
O do not, &c.

He said to the Maid, Sweet be not afraid,  
Thy Physitian I will be;  
If I light in the hole that pleaseth me best,  
I'll give thee thy Physick free;  
He went to it again, and hit in the Vein  
Where all her whole grief did lye;  
O kill me, kill me once again,  
For I am prepared to dye.

At length he gave o'r and suddenly swore,  
He'd kill her no more that night,  
He bid her adieu, for certain he knew  
She wou'd tempt him to more delight:

But

But when they did part it went to her heart,  
For at length he had taught her to cry,  
O kill me, kill me once again,  
For now I am prepared to dyc.

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*The Protecting Brewer.*

**A** Brewer may be a Burgeses grave,  
And carry the matter so fine and so brave,  
That he the better may play the knave,  
Which no body can deny.

A Brewer may be a Parliament-man  
For there the knavery first began,  
And Brew most cunning Plots he can,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may put on a *Nabal* face,  
And march to the wars with such a grace,  
That he may get a Captains place,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may speak so monstrous well,  
That he may raise strange things to tell,  
And so be made a Colonel,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may make his foes to flee,  
And raise his fortunes, so that he  
Lieutenant General may be,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer he may be all in all,  
And raise his powers both great and small,  
That he may be a Lord General,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may be like a Fox in a Cub,  
And teach a Lecture out of a Tub,  
And give the wicked world a rub,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer by's Excise and Rate,  
Will promise his Army he knows what,  
And set it upon the Colledge-gate,  
Which no body, &c.

Methinks I hear one say to me,  
Pray why may nor a Brewer be,  
Lord-Chancelour o'th' University,  
Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may be as bold as a Hector,  
When he has drunk off his cup of Nectar,  
And a Brewer may be a Lord Protector,  
Which no body, &c.

Now

Now here remains the strangest thing,  
 How this Brewer about his liquor doth bring,  
 To be an Emperour, or a King,  
 Which no body, &c.

A Brewer may do what he will,  
 Rob the Church and State, to sell  
 His soul unto the diuel of hell,  
 Which no body can deny.

### *Cromwel's Coronation.*

**O** *Liver, Oliver*, take up thy Crown,  
 For now thou hast made three Kingdoms thine  
 Call thee a Conclave of thy own creation, (own  
 To ride us to ruine, who dare thee oppose :  
 Whilst we thy good people are at thy devotion,  
 To fall down and worship thy terrible Nose.

To thee and thy Mermydons *Oliver*, we,  
 Do tender thy homage as fits thy degree,  
 We'll pay thee Exhize and Taxes, God blefs us,  
 With fear and contrition, as penitents should,  
 Whilst you, great sirs, vouchsafe to oppress us,  
 Not daring so much as in private to scold.

(Sword.  
 We bow down, as cow'd down, to thee & thy  
 For now thou hast made thy self *Englands* sole Lord,

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By mandate of Scripture, and heavenly warrant,  
The Oath of Allegiance, and Covenant too;  
To *Charles* & his Kingdoms thou art Heir apparent,  
And born to rule over the Turk and the Jew.

Then *Oliver, Oliver*, get up and ride, (side,  
Whilst Lords, Knights, & Gentry, do run by thy  
The Maulsters and Brewers account it their glory,  
Great God of the Grain-tub's compared to thee:  
All Rebels of old are lost in their story,  
Till thou Plod'st along to the *Paddington-tree*.

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### The Drunkard.

When I do travel in the night  
The Brewers dog my brains do's byte,  
My heart grows heavy, and my heels grow light,  
And I like my humour well, well,  
And I like my humour well.

When with upsie freeze I line my head,  
My Hostis Sellar is my bed,  
The worlds our own, and the divel is dead,  
And I like, &c.

Then I'll be talking of matters of Court,  
About the taking of some Fort,  
Then I'll swear a lye is true report,  
And I like, &c.

Then

Then I'll be talking of matters of State,  
Of News from *Pallatinate*,  
What Princes are confederate,  
And I like, &c.

If my Hostis bids me pay my score,  
And stand if I can, I call her whore,  
I reel and tumble out of her doore,  
And I like, &c.

That I came from the War, I roar and swear  
I made a fellow die for fear,  
How many I killed that I never came near,  
And I like, &c.

If I meet with a Taylors Stall,  
And the stones with my nose with fighting fall,  
We kiss and are friends, and so there's all,  
And I like, &c.

With an Indian Chimney in my hand,  
Having a Boy at my command,  
Like a brave Commander up I stand,  
And I like, &c.

Then I juffle with every post I meet,  
I kick the dunghils about the street,  
I trample the kennels about my feet,  
And I like, &c.



The Constable I curse and ban,  
That bids me stand if I be a man,  
I tell him he bids me do more than I can,  
And I like, &c.

If I fall to the ground, and the watchmen see  
And ask of me, if I foxed be?  
I tell them 'tis my humility,  
And I like, &c.

Then home I go, and my Wife doth skold  
She bawls the more I bid her hold,  
It is my patience makes her bold,  
And I like, &c.

Then I grope to bed, but miss the way,  
Forget me where my Cloaths, I lay,  
I call for drink by break of day,  
And I like my humour.

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*Song of Sir Eglamore.*

Sir Eglamore, that valiant Knight, fa, la, la, la, la,  
He put on his Sword, & he went to fight, fa, la,  
And as he rid o'r hill and dale,  
All armed in his Coat of Maile,  
Fa, la, la, la, fa, la, la, lalla, la.

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There

There starts a huge Dragon out of his Den, fa, la,  
 Which had kill'd I know not how many men, fa, la,  
 But when he see Sir *Eglamore*,  
 If you had but heard how the Dragon did roar,  
 Fa, la, la, &c.

This Dragon he had a plaguy hard hide, fa, la, la,  
 Which could the strongest steel abide, fa, la, la,  
 He could not enter him with cuts,  
 Which vex'd the Knight to his heart bloud & guts,  
 Fa, la, la, &c.

All the trees in the wood did shake, fa, la, la,  
 Horses did tremble, and man did quake, fa, la, la,  
 The birds betook them to their peeping,  
 'Twould have made a mans heart to fall a weeping,  
 Fa, la, la.

But now it was no time to fear, fa, la, la,  
 For it was time to fight Dog, fight Bear, fa, la, la,  
 But as the Dragon yawning did fall,  
 He thrust his Sword down hilt and all,  
 Fa, la, la.

For as the Knight in Choller did burn, fa, la, la,  
 He ought the Dragon a shrewd good turn, fa, la, la,  
 In at his mouth his Sword he sent,  
 The hilt appeared at his fundament.  
 Fa, la, la.

Then

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Then the Dragon, like a Coward, began to flee, fa, la,  
Into his Den that was hard by, fa, la, la,  
There he laid him down and roar'd,  
The Knight was sorry for his Sword,  
Fa, la, la,

The Sword it was a right good blade, fa, la, la,  
As ever Turk or Spaniard made, fa, la, la,  
I, for my part, do forsake it,  
He that will fetch it, let him take it,  
Fa, la, la.

When all was done, to the Alehouse he went, fa, la,  
And presently his two pence he spent, fa, la, la,  
He was so hot with tugging with the Dragon,  
That nothing would quench him but a hole flagon,  
Fa, la, la.

Well, now let us pray for the King & Queen, fa, la,  
And eke in London there may be seen, fa, la, la,  
As many Knights, and as many more,  
And all as good as Sir Eglamore,  
Fa, la, la, la, fa, la, la, lalla, la.

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### The Rump.

IF none be offended with the Scent,  
Though I foul my mouth, I'll be content

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To

To sing of the Rump of a Parliament,  
Which no body can deny.

I have sometimes fed on a Rump in Soufe,  
And a man may imagine the Rump of a Loufe;  
But till now was ne'r heard of the Rump of a house,  
Which no body, &c.

There's a rump of beef, and the rump of a goose  
And a rump whose neck was hang'd in a noose;  
But ours is a Rump can play fast and loose,  
Which no body, &c.

A Rump had *Jane Shore*, and a Rump *Messaleen*,  
And a Rump had *Antonies* resolute Queen;  
But such a Rump as ours is, never was seen,  
Which no body, &c.

Two short years together we English have scarce  
Been rid of thy rampant Nose (old *Mars*,)  
But now thou hast got a prodigious Arse,  
Which no body, &c.

When the parts of the body did fall out,  
Some votes it is like did pass for the Snout;  
But that the Rump should be King was never a  
Which no body, &c. (doubt

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A Cat has a Rump, and a Cat has nine lives,  
Yet when her head's off, her Rump never strives;  
But our Rump from the grave hath made two re-  
Which no body, &c. (trives,

That the Rump may all their enemies quail,  
They'll borrow the Divels Coat of Mayl,  
And all to defend their estate in Tayl,  
Which no body, &c.

But thought heir scale now seem to be th'upper, (per,  
There's no need of the charge of a thanksgiving sup-  
For if they be the Rump, the Armies their Crupper,  
Which no body, &c.

There is a saying belongs to the Rump,  
Which is good although it be worn to the stump  
That on the Buttock, I'll give thee a thump,  
Which no body, &c.

There's a Proverb in which the rump claims a part,  
Which hath in it more of Sence than of Art,  
That for all you can do I care not a fart,  
Which no body, &c.

There's another Proverb gives the Rump for his  
But Alderman *Atkins* made it a Jest, (Crest,  
That of all kind of lucks shitten luck is the best,  
Which no body, &c.

There's another Proverb that never will fail,  
 That the good Rump will do when they prevail,  
 Is to give us a flap with a Fox-tail,  
 Which no body, &c.

There is a saying, which is made by no fools,  
 I never can hear on't but my heart it cools,  
 That the Rump will spend all we have in close-  
 Which no body, &c. (stools,

There's an observation wise and deep,  
 Which, without an Onion, will make me to weep,  
 That flies will blow Maggots in the Rump of a  
 Which no body, &c. (sheep,

And some, that can see the wood from the trees,  
 Say, this Sanctified Rump in time we may leese :  
 For the Cooks do challenge the rumps for their Fees,  
 Which no body, &c.

When the Rump do sit, we'll make it our morn,  
 That the Reason be' nacted, if there be not one,  
 Why a Fart hath a tongue, and a Fielt hath none,  
 Which no body, &c.

And whil'st within the walls they lurk,  
 To satishe us, will be a good work,  
 Who hath most Religion, the Rump or the Turk,  
 Which no body, &c.

A Rump's a Fag end, like the baulk of a furrow,  
And is to the whole like the jail to the burrough,  
'Tis the bran that is left when the meal is run thro-  
Which no body, &c. (rough,

Consider the world, the heav'n is the head on't,  
The earth is the middle, and we men are fed on't,  
But hell is the rump, and no more can be said on't,  
Which no body can deny.'

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*The Red-coats Triumph.*

Come Drawer, and fill us about some wine,  
Let's merrily tipple, the day is our own ;  
We'll have our delights, let the Country go pine,  
Let the King and the Kingdom groan :  
The Crown is our own, and so shall continue,  
We'll baffle Monarchy quite,  
We'll drink of the Kingdoms Revenue,  
And sacrifice all to Delight ;  
'Tis power that brings us all to be Kings,  
And we'll all be crown'd by our might.

A fig for Divinity Lectures, and Law,  
And all that true Loyalty do pretend ;  
We will by the Sword keep Kingdoms in awe,  
And our Powers shall never end ;  
The Church and the State we'll turn into liquor,  
And spend a whole town in a day :



We'll melt all the Bodkins the quicker  
 Into Sack, and drink them away ;  
 We'll keep the demeanans of the Bishops and Deans,  
 And over the Presbyter fway.

Now nimble Saint *Patrick* is sunk in a bog,  
 And his Country-men sadly cry, *O bone, O bone ;*  
 Saint *Andrew* and his Kirkmen are lost in a fog,  
 And now we are the Saints alone ;  
 Thus on our Equals and Superiours we trample,  
 And *Jockie* our stirrop shall hold,  
 The Citie's our Mule for example,  
 Whilst we will in plenty be rou'ld ;  
 Each delicate dish shall but eccho our wish,  
 And our drink shall be cordial Gold.

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### *The Bulls Feather.*

**I**T chanced not long ago, as I was walking,  
 An eccho did bring me where two were a talking :  
 'Twas a man said to his wife, die had I rather,  
 Than to be cornuted, and wear the Bulls feather,

Then presently she reply'd, Sweet, art thou jealous?  
 Thou canst not play *Vulcan* before I play *Venus* :  
 Thy fancies are foolish, such follies to gather :  
 There's many an honest man has worn the Bulls Fea  
 (ther.  
 Though

Though it be invisable, let no man it scorn,  
Though it be a new feather made of an old horn,  
He that disdains it in heart or mind either  
May be the more subject to wear the Bulls Feather.

He that lives discontent, or in despair,  
And feareth false measure, because his wife's fair:  
His thoughts are inconstant, much like winter wea-  
(ther,  
Though one or two want it, he shall have a Feather.

Bulls Feathers are common as *Ergo* in Schools,  
And only contemned by those that are fools:  
Why should a Bulls Feather cause any unrest,  
Since neighbours fare alwaies is counted the best?

Those women wh' are fairest, are likely to give it;  
And husbands that have them, are apt to believe it.  
Some men though their wives should seem for to  
(tedder,  
They would play the kind neighbour, and give the  
(Bulls feather.

Why should we repine that our wives are so kind,  
Since we that are husbands are of the same mind?  
Shall we give them feathers, and think to go free?  
Believe it, believe it, that hardly will be.

For he that disdains my Bulls feather to day,  
May light of a Lasse that will play him foul play,  
There's

There's ne'r a proud gallant that treads on Cow  
 (Leather  
 But he may be cornuted, and wear the Bulls feather

Though Beer of that brewing, I never did drink,  
 Yet be not displeas'd if I speak what I think,  
 Scarce ten in a hundred, believe it, believe it,  
 But either they'll have it; or else they will give it.

Then let me advise all those that do pine,  
 For fear that false jealousie shorten their time: (vers  
 That disease will torment them worse than any fea  
 Then let all be contented to wear the Bulls feather.

### *Old England turned New.*

**Y**OU talk of *New-England*, I truly believe  
*Old England* is grown new, & doth us deceive  
 I'll ask you a question or two, by your leave,  
 And is not *old England* grown new?

Where are your old Souldiers with slashes and scars  
 That never used drinking in no time of wars,  
 Nor shedding of blood in mad drunken jars?  
 And is not, &c.

New Captains are come that never did fight,  
 But with Pots in the day, and Punks in the Night,  
 And all their chief care is to keep their swords bright  
 And is not, &c. Where

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Where are your old Swords, your bills, & your bows,  
Your Bucklers and Targets that never feared blows?  
They are turned to Steelettoes, with other fair shews,  
And is not, &c.

Where are your old Courtiers, that used to ride  
With forty blew-coats and footmen beside?  
They are turned to six horses a coach with a guide,  
And is not, &c.

And what is become of your old fashion Cloaths,  
Your long-sided breeches, and your trunk hose?  
They are turned to new fashions, but what, the Lord  
And is not, &c. knows,

Your Gallant & his Taylor some half year together,  
To fit a new suit to a new hat and feather,  
Of Gold, or of Silver, silk, cloath, stuff, or leather,  
And is not, &c.

(locks,  
We have new fashion'd beards, and new fashion'd  
And new fashion'd hats for your new pated blocks,  
And more new diseases besides the French pox,  
And is not, &c.

New houses are built, and the old ones pull'd down,  
Untill the new houses sell all the old ground,  
And then the house stands like a horse in the pound,  
And is not, &c.

New

New fashions in houses, new fashions at table,  
 The old servants discharged, the new are more able  
 And every old custome is but an old fable,  
 And is not, &c.

(paces  
 New trickings, new goings, new measures, new  
 New heads for your men, for your women new faces  
 And twenty new tricks to mend their bad cases,  
 And is not, &c.

New tricks in the Law, new tricks in the holds,  
 New bodies they have, they look for new souls  
 When the money is paid for building of Pauls,  
 And is not, &c.

Then talk you no more of *New-England*,  
*New-England* is where *Old England* did stand, (man'd  
 New furnish'd, new fashion'd, new woman'd, new  
 And is not *Old England* grown *New*.

### *A merry Song.*

Come Drawer, turn about the bowle  
 Till every soul has made a scrowle  
 As long as his arm:  
 Again, my boy, be filling still  
 Till every will has had his fill,  
 Twill keep us from harm:

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For he that is copious, and doth freight with Sack,  
As the world at will, and doth nothing lack;  
He's richest then can drink off a Tun,  
The bravest men that are under the Sun;  
Now the world is so giddy, that it scarce knows  
To smell out the truth now it has lost its nose:  
That has left behind a Pitiful case,  
It smells, you'll find, in every place.

Then since he is happiest that drinks the most,  
Joy, call mine Host, that honest roost,  
He shall have his share;  
For interest we'll give him drink,  
Now wine is chink, yet let him think  
Our dealing is faire;  
For I'll maintain his reckoning's good,  
Though we had drunk on tick since *Noah's* flood,  
We'll clear it all in *Platoes* year,  
You'll hear we shall be *Catoes* there:  
Then he's an ass will spare for Chalk  
To purchase Sack; what e'r you talk,  
He's not great, nor rich, nor wise;  
An errant Cheat does Wine despise.

A Scottish Covenant we'll take  
To burn at stake, if not forsake  
The old heresie  
Of bowzing to a petticoat,  
If healths of note we could not vote  
Past any she,  
They



They are but blazes, and soon are gone,  
 Fine trifles for us to play upon :  
 When we have nought, or little to do,  
 We'll have 'um brought, and tickle 'um too :  
 Mean time let us drink a Carouse to those  
 Who are neither the French nor the Spaniards for  
 For all our treasure is there in their Mines,  
 There's no pleasure here but in their wines.

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### *The Contented.*

**P**Ray why should any man complain,  
 Or why disturb his breast or brain  
 At this new alteration ?  
 Since that which has been done's no more  
 Than what has oft been done before,  
 And that which will be done again,  
 As long as there are ambitious men,  
 That strive for domination.

In this mad age there's nothing firm,  
 All things have period, and their term,  
 Their rise and declination ;  
 Those gaudy nothings we admire,  
 Which get above and shine like fire,  
 Are empty vapours raised from ground,  
 Their mock-shine past th'are quickly down,  
 Must fall like exhalation.



But still we Commons must be made  
 A gaull'd, a lame, thin hackney Jade,  
 And all by turns will ride us;  
 This side, or that, no matter which,  
 For both do ride with spur and switch,  
 Till we are tired, and then at last  
 We stumble, and our riders cast,  
 'Cause they'd not feed nor guide us.

Th'insulting Clergy quite mistook,  
 Thinking that Kingdoms pass by book,  
 Or Crowns were got by prating;  
 'Tis not the black coat, but the red,  
 Has power to make, or be the head;  
 Nor is it oaths, nor words, nor tears,  
 But Musquets and full Bandoleers  
 Have power of legislating.

The Lawyers must lay by their books,  
 And study *Monack* much more than *Cook*;  
 The Sword is the Learned Pleader:  
 Reports and Judgements will not do't,  
 But 'tis Dragoons and Horse and Foot;  
 Words are but wind, but Swords come home,  
 A stout tongued Lawyer is but a mome,  
 Compared to a stout file-leader.

Each wit and valour root all things,  
 They pull down, and they set up Kings,

All Law is in their bosoms ;  
That side is alwaies right that's strong,  
And that that's beaten must be wrong :  
And he that thinks it is not so,  
Unless he's sure to beat 'um too,  
He's but a fool to oppose 'm.

Let them impose taxes and rates,  
'Tis but on them that have estates,  
Not such as thou and I are :  
But it concerns those wordlings which  
At least are made, or else grow rich,  
Such as have studied all their daies  
The saving and the thriving waies,  
To be the mules of power.

If they'l reform the Church or State,  
We'll ne'r be troubled much thereat :  
Let each man take his opinion,  
If we don't like the Church, you know  
Taverns are free, and there we'l go ;  
And every one will be  
As clearly unconcern'd as we,  
They'l ne'r fight for domination.

*The indifferent.*

**W**Hat an Afs is he  
Waits a womans leifure  
For a minutes pleasure,  
And perhaps may be  
Gull'd at laft, and lofe her,  
What an afs is he?

Shall I figh and die  
'Cause a maid denies me,  
And that ſhe may try me,  
Suffer patiently?  
O no! Fate ſhall tye me,  
To ſuch cruelty.

Love is all my life,  
For it keeps me doing:  
Yet my love and wooing  
Is not for a Wife;  
It is good eſchewing  
Warring, care, and ſtrife.

What need I to care  
For a womans favour?  
If another have her,

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Why

Why should I despair,  
When for gold and labour  
I can have my share.

If I fancy one,  
And that one do love me,  
Yet deny to prove me,  
Farewel, I am gone.  
She can never move me,  
Farewel, I am gone.

If I chance to see  
One that's brown, I love her,  
Till I see another,  
That is browner than she,  
For I am a lover  
Of my liberty.

Every day I change,  
And at once love many,  
Yet not tied to any,  
For I love to range,  
And if one should stay me  
I should think it strange.

What though she be old,  
So that she have riches,  
Youth and Form bewitches,

But

But 'tis store of Gold  
Cures lascivious itches,  
So the Criticks hold.

## A West-country Mans Voyage to New-England.

**M**Y Masters give audience, and listen to me,  
And streight che will tell you where che have  
be :

Che have been in *New-England*, but now cham come  
o'er,

Itch do think they shal catch me go thither no more.

Before che went o'er Lord how Voke did tell  
How vishes did grow, and how birds did dwell  
All one mong, t'other in the wood and the water,  
Che thought had been true, but che find no such mat-  
(ter.

When first che did land che mazed me quite,  
And 'twas of all daies on a Satterday night,  
Che wondred to see the strong building were there,  
'Twas all like the standing at *Bartholmew* Fair.

Well, that night che slept till near Prayer time,  
Next morning che wondred to hear no Bells chime,  
And when che had ask'd the reason, che found  
'Twas because they had never a Bell in the Town.

At last being warned to Church to repair, (prayer,  
 Where che did think certain che sho'd hear some  
 But the Parson there no such matter did teach,  
 They scorn'd to pray, they were all able to preach.

The virst thing they did, a Zalm they did sing,  
 I pluckt out my Zalm book, which with me did bring  
 Che was troubled to seek him, 'cause they call him by  
 name, (same.  
 But they had got a new Song to the tune of the

When Sermon was done was a child to baptize  
 About sixteen years old, as volk did surmise,  
 And no Godfather nor Godmother, yet 'twas quiet  
 and still,  
 The Priest durst not cross him for fear of his ill will.

A Sirra, quoth I, and to dinner che went,  
 And gave the Lord thanks for what he had sent ;  
 Next day was a wedding, the brideman my friend,  
 He kindly invites me, so thither I wend.

But this, above all, to me wonder did bring,  
 To see a Magistrate marry, and had ne'r a ring ;  
 Che thought they would call me the woman to give  
 But che think he stole her, for he askt no man leave.

Now this was new *Dorchester* as they told me,  
 A Town very famous in all that Country;

They

They said 'twas new building, I grant it was true,  
Yet methinks old *Dorchester* as fine as the new.

She staid there among them till she was weary at heart,

At length there came shipping, she got leave to depart:

But when all was ended she was coming away,  
She had threescore shillings for swearing to pay.

But when she saw that, an oath more she swore,  
She would stay no more longer to swear on the score;  
She bid farewell to those Fowlers and Fishers,  
So God bless old *England* and all his well wishers.

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*A medicine for the Quartan Ague.*

**T**He Aphorisms of *Galen* I count but as straws,  
Profound Pispot-peepers be you all mute,  
The old quartan feaver breaks all Physick-Laws,  
To help to cure it I think it is boot:  
Perusing of late a wormeaten book,  
Brought hither from *Cynthia* down in *Charles's* wain;  
A curious medicine out thence I took,  
To cure the quartan Feaver again.

First choose a Physitian that will not exceed  
*Probatum est*, speaking no more than he knows,



Who hath more skill in his tongue than his head;  
 Who his Potions on Patients *gratis* bestows,  
 Three Midsummer moons in one, let him pray  
 To *Apollo*, and the Moon being full in the wane,  
 And *Scola Salerna* twice backward to say,  
 And it will cure the quartan Fever again.

His Patients water then let him cast  
 In a pure Urinal of old *August* Ice,  
 And diet him strictly, no gross meats to eat,  
 But feed him with fancies, and antick device,  
 To walk every morning some eight miles or more,  
 Before *Phæbus* rises, in the sunshine,  
 And before he be up to be seen without door,  
 And 'twill cure, &c.

Then let him take from him nine drops and a half  
 Of purified bloud, but pierce not the skin,  
 Only open a vein in the heel of the calf,  
 Some half a year before the fit do begin;  
 To sweat eleven minutes in an Oven let him lye,  
 Heat with a North wind, and a shower of rain,  
 And sleep every night with one half of an eye,  
 And 'twill cure, &c.

To keep his body alwaies soluble and loose,  
 That he shall never fear to be subject to be bound,  
 Let him drink *Woodcocks* water in the quill of a  
 Goose,

And

And alwaies untruſs when he goes to ground ;  
Thus being prepared, let the Doctor proceed  
With all other ingredients to conquer his pain,  
And profeſs more Art than ere he did read,  
To cure the quartan, &c.

Then let him take the wind of the wing of a Crane,  
As he flies over *Caucasus* hill,  
With the precious ſtone was in Gyges his Ring,  
Mix them with three turns of an honeſt windmil,  
Boyl theſe altogether from a pint to a quart  
In a Travellers mouth whoſe tongue cannot feigne,  
And having new din'd give him this next his heart,  
And 'twill cure, &c.

Then three handfull take of Popes holy ſhadow,  
When *Sol* is new entred into the dog-daies,  
Three ſkreeche of an Owl four kaws of a Jackdaw,  
With the brains and the heads of three ninepenny  
Fry theſe together within a meal-five, (nailes,  
With the ſweat of the ſouth ſide of a French bean,  
And this to his Patient Morn & Even let him give,  
And 'twill cure, &c.

Take three merry thoughts of a Bride the firſt night  
She's to lye with her Groom, to purge melancholly,  
Three gingles of the ſilver ſpur of a field Knight,  
Four Puritan faces, not counterfeit holy,

Take three youthful capers of an old Oxe,  
 And thorough a joyned stool them let him strain,  
 And then drink the juice through a tail of a Fox,  
 And it will cure, &c.

Moreover, because I strive to be brief,  
 Take three honest thrums of a weavers shuttle,  
 Three snips of a Taylors sheers that's no thief,  
 A cut-purses thumb, with his horn and his whittle,  
 The mind of a miller that ne'r took a corn,  
 More than his due in grinding of grain,  
 Burn these all together with Jeeny red stalks,  
 And 'twill cure, &c.

And lastly, this counsel my old Author gives,  
 Take the bloud of a Beetle in the ayre as she flies,  
 Who, like a Physitian, of excrement lives, (eyes:  
 And therewith let Empericks anoynt his quick  
 This being practised, he shall see soon  
 All natural mysteries perfect and plain,  
 And know as much Phylick as the man in the Moon  
 To cure the quartan feaver again.

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### *A Catch.*

**N**OW I am married, Sir *John* I'll not curse,  
 He joyn's us together for better, for worse,  
 But if I were single I tell you plain,  
 I would be advised ere I marri'd again.

Of Levelling.

I Have reason to fly thee, & not to sit down by thee,  
For I hate to behold one so sawcy and bold,  
That derides and contemns his superiours ;

Your Madams and Lords,

With such manerly words,

With gestures that be

Fit for our degree

Are things that we and you

Do claim as our due

From all those that are our inferiours, (know,

For from the begining there were Princes we

'Tis your Levellers do hate 'cause they cannot be

(so.

All titles of honour were at first in the Donors,

But being granted away by that persons stay,

Where he wore a small soul or a bigger,

There's a necessity

That there should be a degree,

Though Dick, Tom, and Jack,

Will serve you and your pack,

Where 'tis due we'll afford

A Sir John, or my Lord,

Honest Dick's name is enough for a digger ;

He that hath a strong purse may all things be, or

Be valiant, and wise, and religious too. (do,

We

We have cause to adore that man that hath store  
 Though a boor or a sot, there's something to be got  
 Though he be neither honest nor witty,

Make him high, let him rule,  
 He'll be playing the fool,  
 And transgress, then we'll squeeze  
 Him for fines and for fees,  
 And we shall gain

By the vanities of his brain,

'Tis the fools Cap that maintains the City;

If honour be but air, 'tis in common, and as fit  
 For the fool, or the Clown, as the champion or wit

Then why may not we be of a different degree,  
 And each man aspire to be greater and higher  
 Than his wiser or honest brother,

Since Fortune and Nature

Their favours do scatter,

This hath Valour, that Wit

To his wealth, nor is it fit

That one should have all,

For then what would befall

He that is born not to one nor the other? (chatte

Though honor were a prize from a thirst, now it's

And as meer huntible now as your ware, lands

(cattle

But in this we agree to live quiet and free,

To drink Sack and submit, and not shew your wit

By your prating, but silence and thinking;

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Let the Presbyter Jews  
Read Diurnals and News,  
And lard their discourse  
With a Covenant that's worse;  
That which pleaseth me best  
Is a Song or a Jest,  
And my obedience I'll shew it by my drinking;  
And the name I desire is an honest good fellow,  
And that man hath no worth that won't some-  
(times be mellow.

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### In praise of a Mistresse.

I Have the fairest *Non-perel*,  
The fairest that ever was seen,  
And had not *Venus* been in the way,  
She had been Beauties Queen.

Her lovely looks, her comely grace,  
I will describe at large;  
God *Cupid* put her in his books,  
And of this *Jem* took charge.

The *Gracian Helen* was a Moore,  
Compar'd to my dear Saint,  
And fair fac'd *Syrens* beauty poor,  
And yet she doth not paint.

*Andromeda*



*Andromeda*, whom *Perseus* lov'd,  
Was foul were she in fight,  
Her lineaments so well approv'd,  
In praise of her I'll write.

Her hair not like the Golden wyre,  
But black as any Crow,  
Her brows so beetl'd all admire,  
Her forehead wondrous low.

Her squinting, staring, gogling eyes  
Poor Children do affright,  
Her nose is of the *Saracens* size ;  
O she's a matchless wight.

Her Oven-mouth wide open stands,  
And teeth like rotten pease,  
Her Swan-like neck my heart commands,  
And breasts all bit with Fleas.

Her tawny dugs, like two great hills,  
Hang sow like to her waste,  
Her body huge, like two wind-mills,  
And yet she's wondrous chaste.

Her shoulders of so large a breadth,  
She'd make an excellent Porter,  
And yet her belly carries most,  
If any man could sort her.



No Shoulder of Mutton like her hand,  
For broadness thick and fat,  
With a pocky Mange upon her wrist:  
Oh *Jove*! how love I that?

Her belly Tun-like to behold,  
Her bush doth all excell,  
The thing that, by all men extoll'd,  
Is wider than a well.

Her brawny buttocks, plump and round,  
Much like a Horse of War,  
With speckled thighs, scab'd and scarce found;  
Her knees like Bakers are.

Her legs are like the Elephants,  
The calf and small both one,  
Her ankles they together meet,  
And still knock bone to bone.

Her pretty feet not 'bove fifteens,  
So splay'd as never was,  
An excellent Usher for a man  
That walks the dewy grass.

Thus have you heard my Mistress prais'd,  
And yet no flattery us'd,  
Pray tell me, is she not of worth?  
Let her not be abus'd.

If any to her have a mind,  
 He doth me wondrous wrong,  
 For as she's beautilous, so she's chaste,  
 And thus concludes my Song.

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### *Sensual Delight.*

**A**Re you grown so melancholly,  
 That you think of nought but folly?  
 Are you sad, are you mad, are you worse,  
 Do you think want of chinke is your curse?  
 Do you love for to have longer life, or a grave?  
 Then this will cure you.

First I would have a bag of Gold,  
 That should ten thousand pieces hold,  
 And all that in your lap would I poure  
 For to spend on your friend or your whore, (lice  
 For to play away at dice, or to shift you from you  
 And this will cure you.

Next I would have a soft bed made,  
 Wherein a Virgin should be laid  
 That will play any way you devise,  
 That will stick like an itch to your thighs,  
 That will bill like a dove, lie beneath or above,  
 And this will cure you.

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Next the bowl that *Jove* divine  
Drunk *Nectar* in, fill'd up with wine  
And all that, like a *Greek*, you should quaff  
Till your cheeks they look red, and you laugh,  
Unto *Ceres*, and to *Venus*, unto *Bacchus*, and *Salenus*,  
And this will cure you.

Next seven *Eunuchs* should appear  
Singing in *Spheare*-like manner here  
In the praise of the wayes of delight,  
*Venus* can use with man in the night,  
When she seemeth to adorn *Vulcan's* head with a  
And this will cure you. (horn.

But if no gold nor women can,  
Nor wine, nor Song make merry man,  
Let the *Batt* be your mate and the *Owle*,  
Let the pain in the brain make you howl:  
Let the *Pox* be your friend, and the *Plague* be your  
And this will cure you. (end.

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## On Captain Hick his Oxford Feasts.

Sublimeſt discretions, have clubd for expreſſions  
Which are muſter'd up here by our Captaine;  
Some ſtaler, ſome milder, ſome tamer, ſome wilder,  
And all in clean Linnen are wrapt in:

Oxford

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Oxford University approves her self witty,  
 In Jestis of more jovial concerning,  
 And jocose Apprehensions prefer their Inventions,  
 Before all the rest of her learning.

3

Here is choice, here is store, Eight Hundred or more  
 The Cream, and the Crown of all Jestings;  
 All brave souls be Guests at this Banquet of Jestis  
*Lucullus* had never such feasting.

4

Such wit here's exprest in every choice Jest  
 They'll make *Mellanchollicus* frolick,  
 And all those to forget to groan, and to fret,  
 That are troubled with Stone and the Chollick.

5

Will Sumners and Scoggin with Archee be Jogging  
 Your Quirks and your Quibbles are folly:  
 No such rare Antidotes, ere took flight from the  
 'Gainst the poyson of black *Mellancholly*. (throats,

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One reading a score did with laughter give o're  
 Or his broad sides had else split in sunder;  
 At next Ordinary he with repeating of three  
 Made the wits at the board to knock under.

7

These will shorten the Journeys of Clarks and At-  
 With wits most refin'd Recreations,

(turnies,

And

And when they are far remote from the Barr  
We'll cheer up their hearts in Vacations.

8

(trades

Now all you brave Blades leave your Shops & your  
Your lying and solemn protesting,  
And if ever you'll thrive cease to drink, swear, & —  
And study the science of Jestling.

9

To Gratifie Jesters links Angells to Testers  
But here without fear of expences,  
You may pick, you may chuse, you may take or refuse  
As suits with the moods, and the tences.

10

At home and abroad on our walks or the Road  
These Cordials will prove Efficacious,  
Search the Books of all Ages, & ransack their Pages  
You shall find nothing half so Solacious.

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*A Catch.*

**A** Pox on the Jaylor and on his fat Jole,  
There's liberty lies in the bottom of th'Bole,  
A fig for what ever the Rascal can do,  
Our Dungeon is deep, but our Cups are so too;  
Then Drink we round in despite of our foes,  
And make our hard Irons cry clink in the close:  
Now laugh we and quaff we, untill our rich Noses  
Grow red, and contest with our chapplets of Roses.

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*Pballis,*

## Phillis, her Lamentation.

**M**Y Lodging is on the cold ground,  
 And very hard is my Fare;  
 But that which troubles me most is  
 The unkindness of my Dear:

*Yet still I cry O turn Love,  
 And I prethee Love turn to me;  
 For thou art the man that I long for,  
 And alack what remedie!*

I'll Crown thee with Garlands of straw then,  
 And I'll marry thee with a Rush Ring;  
 My frozen hopes shall thaw then,  
 And merrily we will sing,  
*O turn to me my dear Love,  
 And I prethee Love turn to me;  
 For thou art the man that alone can'st  
 Procure my libertie.*

But if thou wilt harden thy Heart still,  
 And be deaf to my pitiful moan,  
 Then I must endure the smart still,  
 And tumble in straw alone:  
*Yet still I cry O turn Love,  
 And I prethee Love turn to me;  
 For thou art the man that alone art  
 The cause of my miserie.*



*The Song of the Redlers.*

**F**ROM the fair *Lavinian* Shore,  
I your Markets come to store,  
Muse not though so far I dwell  
And my wares come here to sell :  
Such is the secret hunger of Gold,  
Then come to my Pack;  
While I cry, what d' ye lack,  
What d' ye buy? for here it is to be sold.

I have Beauty, Honour, and Grace,  
Fortune, favour, Time and Place;  
And what else thou wouldst request,  
Even the thing thou likest best:  
First let me have but a touch of thy Gold,  
Then come to me Lad  
Thou shalt have what thy Dad  
Never gave; for here it is to be sold.

Madam, come see what ye lack,  
Here's Complexion in my pack;  
White and red you may have in this place  
To hide your old ill wrinkled face.  
First let me have a touch of thy Gold,  
Then thou shalt seem  
Like a Wench of fifteen,  
Although you be threescore year old.



Ha, Ha, Ha, Ha, Ha!

**C**alm was the Evening and clear was the skie,  
 And the sweet budding flowers did spring,  
 When all alone went *Aminor* and I  
 To hear the sweet Nightingale sing :  
 I sate, and he lay'd him down by me,  
 And scarcely his breath he could draw,  
*But when with a fear he began to come near,*  
*He was dasht with a ha ha ha ha ha ha, &c.*

He blusht to himself, and laid still a while,  
 'Twas his modesty curb'd his desire ;  
 But streight I convinc'd all his fears with a smile,  
 And added new flames to his fire :  
 Ah ! *Silvia*, said he, you are cruel  
 To keep your poor lover in awe  
*Then once more he prest with his hand to my brest,*  
*But was dasht with a ha ha ha ha ha ha, &c.*

I knew 'twas his passion that caused his fear,  
 And therefore I Pitied his case ;  
 I whisper'd him softly, there's no body near,  
 And lay'd my Cheek close to his Face :  
 But as he grew bolder and bolder  
 A Shepherd came by us and saw,  
*And straight as our bliss, began with Kisse,*  
*He laughs out with a ha ha ha ha ha ha, &c.*

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*In praise of Sack.*

**F**etch me *Ben. Johnsons* scull, and fill't with Sack  
Rich as the same he drank, when the whole pack  
Of jolly sisters pledg'd, and did agree  
It was no sin to be as drunk as he :  
If there be any weakness in the wine,  
There's virtue in a Cup to mak't divine ;  
This muddy drench of Ale does taste too much  
Of earth, the Mault retains a scurvy touch  
Of the dull hand that sows it ; and I fear  
There's Heresie in Hops ; give *Calvin Beer*,  
And his precise Disciples, such as think  
There's Powder-treason in all *Spanish* drink ;  
Call Sack an Idoll, nor will kiss the Cup,  
For fear their Conventicle will be blown up  
With superstition : give to these Brew-house alms,  
Whose best mirth is Six shilling Beer, and Psalms ;  
Let me rejoyce in sprightly Sack, that can  
Create a brain even in an empty pan.  
*Canary* ! it's thou that dost inspire  
And actuate the soul with heavenly fire ;  
That thou sublim'st the Genius making wit,  
Scorn earth, and such as love, or live by it ;  
Thou mak'st us Lords of Regions large and fair,  
Whil'st our conceits build Castles in the air :

Since fire, earth, air, thus thy inferiours be,  
 Henceforth I'll know no Element but thee;  
 Thou precious *Elixir* of all Grapes!  
 Welcome be thee our Muse begins her scapes,  
 Such is the worth of Sack; I am (me thinks)  
 In the *Exchequer* now, hark now it chinks:  
 And do esteem my venerable self  
 As brave a fellow, as if all the pelf  
 Were sure mine own; and I have thought a way  
 Already how to spend it; I would pay  
 No debts, but fairly empty every trunk,  
 And charge the Gold for Sack to keep me drunk;  
 And so by consequence till rich *Spain* Wine  
 Being in my crown, the *Indies* too were mine  
 And when my brains are once afoot (heaven blest us)  
 I think my self a better man than *Cresus*.  
 And now I do conceit my self a Judge,  
 And coughing laugh to see my Clients trudge  
 After my Lordships Coach unto the Hall  
 For Justice, and am full of Law withal,  
 And do become the Bench as well as he  
 That fled long since for want of honestie:  
 But I'll be Judge no longer though in jest,  
 For fear I should be talk'd with like the rest  
 When I am sober; who can chuse but think  
 Me wise, that am so wary in my drink!  
 Oh admirable Sack! here's dainty sport,  
 I am come back from *Westminster* to Court;

And am grown young again ; my Ptsick now  
 Hath left me, and my Judges graver brow  
 Is smooth'd, and I turn'd amorous as *May*,  
 When she invites young lovers for to play  
 Upon her flowry bosome : I could win  
 A Vestal now, or tempt a Queen to sin.  
 Oh for a score of Queens ! you'd laugh to see  
 How they would strive which first should ravish me,  
 Three Goddeses were nothing : Sack has tipt  
 My tongue with charms like those which *Paris* sipt  
 From *Venus*, when she taught him how to kiss  
 Fair *Helen*, and invite a fairer bliss :  
 Mine is *Canary-Rhetorick*, that alone  
 Would turn *Diana* to a burning stone :  
 Stone with amazement, burning with loves fire,  
 Hard, to the touch, but short in her desire.  
 Inestimable Sack ! thou mak'st us rich:  
 Wise, amorous, any thing ; I have an itch  
 To t'other cup, and that perchance will make  
 Me valiant too, and quarrel for thy sake  
 If I be once inflam'd, against thy Nose  
 That could preach down thy worth in small-beer  
 I should do miracles bad, or worse, (Prose  
 As he that gave the King an hundred Horse :  
 T'other odd Cup, and I shall be prepar'd  
 To snatch at Stars, and pluck down a reward  
 With mine own hands from *Jove* upon their backs  
 That are, or *Charles* his enemies, or Sacks :

Let it be full, if I do chance to spill  
 Ov'r my standish by the way I will  
 Dipping in this diviner Ink, my pen,  
 Write my self sober, and fall to't agen.

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*A Catch.*

**N**OW that the *Spring* hath fill'd our Veins  
 With kind and active fire,  
 And made green Liveries for the Plains  
 And every Grove a Quire.

Sing we this Song with mirth and merry glee,  
 And *Bacchus* crown the Bowl,  
 And here's to thee, and thou to me  
 And every thirsty soul,

Shear sheep that have them, cry we still,  
 But see that none escape,  
 To take off this Sherry, hat makes us so merry  
 And plump as the lussy Grape.

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*The Huntsman.*

**O**F all the sports the world doth yield  
 Give me a pack of hounds in field,  
 Whose eccho sounds shrill through the sky,  
 Makes *Jove* admire our harmony,

And

And with that he a mortal were,  
To see such pleasures we have here.

Some do delight in Masks and plays,  
And in *Diana's* Holy daies.

Let *Venus* act her chiefeft skill,  
If I dislike I'll please my will;  
And choose such as will last,  
And not to surfeit when I taste.

Then I will tell you of a scent,  
Where many a horse was almost spent,  
In *Chadwel* Close a Hare we found,  
That led us all a smoaking round;  
O'r hedge and ditch away she goes,  
Admiring her approaching foes.

But when she felt her strength to waste,  
She parleys with the Hounds in haste.

*The Hare.* You gentle dogs forbear to kill  
A harmless beast that ne'r did ill:  
And if your Masters sport do crave,  
I'll lead a scent as they would have.

*The Hounds.* Away, away, thou art alone,  
Make haste we say, and get thee gone;  
We'll give thee leave for half a mile,  
To see if thou canst us beguile:

But

But then expect a thundering cry,  
Made by us and our company.

*The Hare.* Then since you set my life so light,  
I'll make Black lovely turn to White;  
And *Tork-shire Gray*, that runs at all,  
I'll make him with him in his stall;  
And *Sorrel*, he that seems to fly,  
I'll make him sickly ere I die.

Let *Burbam Bay* do what he can,  
And *Barton Gray*, Which now and then  
Doth strive to winter up my way;  
I'll neither make him sit nor play,  
And constant *Robin*, though he lie  
At his advantage, what care I?

But here *Kit Boltan* did me wrong,  
As I was running all along;  
For with one pat he made me so,  
That I went reeling too and fro:  
Then, if I die your masters tell,  
That fool did ring my passing-Bell.

But if your masters pardon me,  
I'll read them all to *Througabby*;  
Where constant *Robin* keeps a room  
To welcome all the Guests that come,



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To laugh, and quaff in Wine, and Beer,  
A full Carouze to their Career.

*The Hounds.* Away, away, since 'tis our nature  
To kill thee, and no other Creature,  
Our Masters they do want abit,  
And thou wilt well become the spit:  
They eat the flesh, we pick the bone,  
Make hast, we say, and get thee gone.

*The Hare.* Your Masters may abate their cheer,  
My meat is dry; and Butter dear;  
And if with me they'd make a friend,  
They had better give a Puddings end:  
Besides, once dead, then sport they'll lack,  
And I must hang on th' Huntsman's back.

*The Hounds.* Alas poor Hare we pity thee,  
If with our nature 'twould agree;  
But all thy doubling shifts we fear  
Will not prevent thy death so near,  
Then make thy Will, for it may be that  
May save thee; else, we know not what.

*The Hare's.* Then I do give my body free,  
*Will.* Unto your Masters courtelie;  
And if they'll spare till sport be scant,  
I'll be their game, when they do want:

But

But when I'm dead each greedy hound  
Will trail my entrails on the ground.

*The Hounds.* Were ever Dogs so basely crost,  
Our Masters call us off so fast,  
That we the scent have almost lost;  
And they themselves must lose the roast,  
Wherefore, kind *Hare* we pardon you:  
*The Hare.* Thanks gentle *Hounds*, and so Adieu.

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### *A Catch.*

O The wily wily Fox, with his many wily mocks,  
We'll Earth him if you'll but follow,  
And now that we have done't, to conclude our mer-  
Let us roundly whoop and hollow: (ry hunt,  
*Prethee drink, prethee drink, prethee, prethee drink,*  
*That the Hunters may all follow.*

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### *A Song.*

She lay all naked in her bed,  
And I my self lay by,  
No Vail nor Curtain there was spread,  
No covering but I:  
Her head upon one shoulder seeks  
To hang in careless wise,

All full of blushes were her cheeks,  
And wishes were her eyes.

Her blood lay flushing in her face,  
As on a message came,  
To say that in some other place  
It meant some other Game;  
Her neather Lip moyst, plump, and fair,  
Millions of kisses crown'd,  
Which ripe and uncropt dangled there,  
And weighed the branches down.

Her breasts, that lay swell'd full and high,  
Bred pleasant pangs in me,  
And all the world I did desire  
For that felicity;  
Her thighs and belly, soft and plump,  
To me were only shewn:  
To have seen such meat, and not to have eat,  
Would have angered any one.

Her knees lay up, but stoutly bent,  
And all was hollow under,  
As if on easie terms they meant  
To fall unforc'd asunder:  
Just so the *Cyprian* Queen did lye,  
Expecting in her bower;  
When too long stay, had kept the boy  
Beyond his promised hour.

Dull Clown, quoth she, why dost delay  
 Such proffered blifs to take?  
 Canst thou find no other way  
 Similitudes to make?  
 Mad with delight I thundred in,  
 And threw mine arms about her,  
 But a pox upon't 'twas but a dream,  
 And so I lay without her.

### Of a Good Wife and a Bad.

**S**OME Wives are Good and some are Bad,  
 (Reply) *Metbinks you touch them now,*  
 And some will make their Husbands mad,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:  
 And my Wife and thy Wife,  
 And my Wife so will do.*

**SOME Women love to breed discord,**  
*Metbinks, &c.*

**And some will have the latter word,**  
 (Cho.) *And so will my wife too:  
 And my Wife, &c.*

**SOME Women will Spin, and some will Sow,**  
*Metbinks, &c.*

**And some will to the Faverngo,**  
 (Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:  
 And my Wife, &c.*

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Some Women will say they'r sick at Heart,

*Methinks, &c.*

And some will let a rousing Fart,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my Wife, &c.*

Some Women will ban and some will curse,

*Methinks, &c.*

And some will pick their Husbands Purse,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my, &c.*

Some Women will Brawle, and some will Scold,

*Methinks, &c.*

And some will make their Husbands Cuckold,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my, &c.*

Some Women will drink, and some will not,

*Methinks, &c.*

And some will take the t'other Pot,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my Wife, &c.*

Some Women are sick, and some are sound,

*Methinks, &c.*

And some will take it on the Ground,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too:*

*And my, &c.*

Thus

Thus of my song I'll make an end,

*Metinks, &c.*

Hoping all women will amend,

(Cho.) *And so will my Wife too :*

*And my Wife, &c.*

### *A Catch.*

**C**ALL George again boy, call George again,  
 And for the love of Bacchus call George again.  
 George is a good boy, and draws us good wine,  
 Or fills us more Clarret our wits to refine ;  
 George is a brave Lad, and an honest man,  
 If you will him know, he dwells at the Swan.

### *A Song.*

**P**OX take you Mistris I'll be gone,  
 I have friends to wait upon ;  
 Think you I'll my self confine,  
 To your humours ( Lady mine : )  
 No, your louting seems to say :  
 'Tis a rainy drinking day,  
 To the Tavern I'll away.

There have I a Mistris got,  
 Cloystered in a Pottle pot :

Brisk and sprightly as thine eye,  
When thy richest glances fly,  
Plump AND bounding, lively, fair,  
Bucksome, soft, and debonair:  
And she's call'd Sack, my DEAR.

Sack's my better Mistress far,  
Sack's my only beauty-star;  
Whose rich beams, and glorious raies;  
Twinkle in each red rose and face:  
Should I all her vertues shew,  
Thou thy self would love-sick prove,  
AND she'd prove thy Mistress TOO.

She with no dart-scorn will blast me;  
But upon thy bed can cast me;  
Yet ne'er blush her self too red,  
Nor fear of loss of Maiden-head:  
And she can ( the truth to say )  
Spirits into me convey,  
MORE than thou canst take AWAY.

Getting kisses here's no toyl,  
Here's no Handkerchief to spoyle;  
Yet I better Nectar sip,  
Than dwells upon thy lip:  
And though mute and still she be,  
Quicker wit she brings to me,  
Than e'er I could find in THEE.



If I go, ne'r think to see  
 Any more a fool of me ;  
 I'll no liberty up give,  
 Nor a Maudlin-like love live,  
 No, there's nought shall win me to't,  
 'Tis not all thy smiles can do't,  
 Nor thy Maiden-head to BOOT.

Yet if thou'lt but take the pain  
 TO be good but once again ;  
 If one smile then call me back,  
 THOU shalt be that Lady Sack :  
 Faith but try, and thou shalt see  
 What a loving Soul I'll be,  
 WHEN I am drunk with nought but thee.

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### The Answer.

**I** Pray thee, Drunkard, get thee gone,  
 Thy Mistris Sack doth smell too strong:  
 Think you I intend to wed,  
 A sloven to be-pifs my bed ?  
 No, your staining me's to say,  
 You have been drinking all this day.  
 Go, be gone, away, away.

Where you have your Mistris Sack,  
 Which hath already spoyld your back,

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And methinks should be too hot,  
To be cloystered in a pot.  
Though you say she is so fair,  
So lovely, and so debonair,  
She is but of a yellow hair.

Sack's a whore which burns like fire,  
Sack consumes and is a dryer;  
And her waies do only tend  
To bring men unto their end:  
Should I all her vices tell,  
Her rovings and her swearings fell,  
Thou wouldst dam her into Hell.

Sack which no dart-scorns will blast thee,  
But upon thy bed shall cast thee:

And by that impudence doth shew,

That no vertue she doth know:

For she will, the truth to say,

Thy body in an hour decay,

More than can in a day,

Though for kisses there's no toy,

Yet your body she doth spoil:

Sipping Nectar whilst you sit,

She doth quite besot your wit:

Though she is mute, she'll make you loud:

Brawl and fight in every croud,

When your reason she doth cloud.

Nor do you ever look to see  
 Any more a smile from me,  
 I'll no liberty, nor sign,  
 Which I truly may call mine.  
 No, no sleight shall win me to't,  
 Tis not all thy parts can do't;  
 Thy Person, nor thy Land to boot.

Yet if thou wilt take the pain,  
 To be sober once again,  
 And but make much of thy back,  
 I will be instead of Sack.  
 Faith but try, and thou shalt see,  
 What a loving soul I'll be:  
 When thou art drunk with nought but me.

### A Catch.

She that will eat her breakfast in her bed,  
 And spend the morn in dressing of her head,  
 And sit at dinner like a Maiden-bride,  
 And nothing do all day, but talk of pride;  
 Foe of his mercy may do much to save her,  
 But what a case is he in that shall have her.

## St. George for England.

**VV**Hy should we boast of *Arthur* and his  
Knights,  
Knowing so many men have endured hot fights;  
Besides King *Arthur*, and Sir *Lancelot du Lake*,  
Sir *Tristram de Lionel*, that fought for Ladies sake,  
Read old Histories, and then you shall see,  
That St. George, St. George did make the Dragon flee;  
St. George for England, St. Dennis for France,  
Sing *Hony soit qui maly pense*.

Mark how father *Abraham*, when first he rescued *Lot*  
Only by his household what conquest there they got;  
*David* elected a Prophet and a King,  
He slew great *Goliath* with a stone and a sling;  
These were no Knights of the Table round,  
But St. George, St. George the Dragon did confound;  
St. George, &c.

*Joshua* and *Gideon* did lead their men to fight,  
They conquered the *Amerites*, and put them to flight;  
*Hercules* labour's upon the Plains of *Bass*,  
And *Sampson* slew a thousand with the jaw bone of  
Besides a goodly Temple there he did spoyle, (an ass,  
But St. George, St. George the Dragon he did soyle;  
St. George, &c.

The wars of the Monarchs they were too long to tell  
 And next of all the Romans, for they did far excell,  
 When *Hannibal* and *Scipio* so many fields did fight,  
*Orlando Furioso* was a worthy Knight;  
*Remus* and *Romulus*, that first *Rome* did build,  
 But *St. George*, *St. George* did make the dragon yield,  
*St. George*, &c.

Many have fought with proud *Tamberlain*,  
 And *Cutlaw* the Dane, great wars did maintain,  
*Rowland*, and *Bryan*, and good *Sr. Oliveer*;  
 In the forrest of *Arden* there slew both Bull & Bear,  
 Beside the noble Hollander, *Sir Goward* with his bill,  
 But *St. George*, *St. George* the dragon's bloud did spill,  
*St. George*, &c.

*Bevis* conquered *Askupart*, and after slew the bore,  
 And then he crost beyond the seas to combat  
 with a Moor,

*Sir Isinbrass* & *Egleman* they were Knights bold (told  
 And good *Sir John Mandevil* of travels much have  
 These were all English Knights that pagans did con-  
 But *St. George*, &c. pluckt out the Dragons heart. (vert.  
*St. George*, &c.

The noble *Alphonso*, that was the Spanish King,  
 The order of the red scarfs and bedrowl he did bring,  
 He had a troop of mighty Knights when first he did,  
 begin,

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That sought adventures far and nigh what conquest  
they might win,  
The ranks of the Pagans full oft he put to flight,  
But *St. George*, *St. George* did with the Dragon fight;  
*St. George*, &c.

The noble Earle of *Warwick*, that called was *Sir Guy*,  
The Infidels and Pagans much he did defie,  
He slew the Gyant *Brandemoor*, & after was the death  
Of the most gastly dun Cow, the divel of *Dunsmore*  
heath,  
Besides other noble Deeds he did beyond the seas,  
But *St. George*, *St. George* the Dragon did appease;  
*St. George*, &c.

*Valentine* and *Orson* of King *Pipins* blood,  
*Alfred* and *Henry* they were Knights good;  
The four Sons of *Amon* that fought for *Charlemain*,  
*Sir Hugo de Bourdeaux*, and *Godfrey de Bullaign*,  
These were all french Knights that lived in that age,  
But *St. George*, *St. George* the Dragon did assuage;  
*St. George*, &c.

When at the first *K. Richard* was King of this Land,  
He gorged a Lyon with his naked hand;  
The noble Duke of *Austria* nothing he did fear,  
He killed his Son with a box on the ear,  
Besides other noble deeds done in the holy-Land,  
But *St. George*, *St. George* the Dragon did withstand;  
*St. George*, &c.

When as the third King *Edward* had conquered all  
*France,*

He quartered their Arms his honour to advance,  
 He ranſack'd their Cities, threw their Cattles down,  
 And garniſhed his head with a double double Crown,  
 He thumped the *French*, & homeward then he came,  
 But *St. George*, *St. George* the Dragon he did tame;  
*St. George*, &c.

*St. David* of *Wales* did the Welchmen much advance,  
*St. James* for *Spain*, that never yet broke Lance,  
*St. Patrick* for *Ireland*, that was *St. Georges* Boy,  
 Seven years he kept his horſe, & then ſtole him away,  
 For which filthy act a ſlave he doth remain,  
 But *St. George*, *St. George* the Dragon he hath ſlain;  
*St. George* for *England*, *St. Denis* for *France*,  
*Sing Hony ſoit qui mal y penſe.*

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### *Arthur of Bradly.*

Saw you not *Pierce* the Piper,  
 His Cheeks as big as a Myter,  
 Piping among the Swains,  
 That's down in yonder Plains:  
 Where *Tib* and *Tem* doth tread it,  
 And Youths the hornpipe lead it,  
 With every one his carriage  
 To go to yonder Marriage,



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For the honour of *Arthur of Bradly*,  
Oh brave *Arthur of Bradly*, O fine *Arthur of Bradly*,  
O brave *Arthur of Bradly*, oh.

*Arthur* hath gotten a Lass,  
A bonnier never was ;  
The chiefest youths in the Parish  
Come dancing in a *Morris*,  
With Country Gambols flouncing,  
Country Wenches trouncing,  
Dancing with mickle pride,  
Every man his wench by his side,  
For the honour of *Arthur*, &c.

But when that *Arthur* was married,  
And his Bride home had carried ;  
The Youngsters they did wait  
To help to carry up meat :  
*Francis* carried the Furmety,  
*Michael* carried the Mince-pye,  
*Baribolomew* the Beef and the Mustard,  
And *Christopher* carried the Custard,  
Thus every one went in this Ray,  
For the honour of *Arthur of Bradly*, Oh fine, &c.

But when that dinner was ended,  
The Maidens they were befriended ;  
For out slept *Diek* the Draper,  
And he bid pipe up scraper ;

Better to be dancing a little,  
Than into the Town to tipple ;  
He bid him play him a Horn-pipe,  
That goes fine of the Bagpipe :  
Then forward Piper, and play  
For the honour of *Arthur of Bradly*, Oh fine, &c,

Then *Richard* he did lead it,  
And *Margery* she did tread it ;  
*Francis* followed them,  
And after courteous *Jane* :  
And every one after another,  
As if they had been sister and brother,  
That 'twas a great sight to see  
How well they did agree,  
And then they all did say,  
Hay for *Arthur of Bradly*, oh fine, &c.

When all the Swains did see  
This mirth and merry glee,  
There was never a man did flinch,  
But every man kist his Wench :  
But *Giles* was greedy of gain,  
And he would needs kist twain ;  
His Lover, seeing that,  
Did rap him on the pate,  
That he had not one word to say  
For the honour of *Arthur of Bradly*, oh fine, &c.

The Piper look'd aside,  
And there he spide the Bride;  
He thought it was a hard chance  
That none would lead her a dance:  
For never a man durst touch her,  
But only *Will.* the Butcher;  
He took her by the hand  
And danc'd whilst he could stand;  
The Bride was fine and gay,  
For the honour of *Arthur of Bradly*, Oh fine, &c.

Then out stept *Will.* the Weaver,  
And he swore he'd not leave her;  
He hopt it all of a Leg,  
For the honour of his Peg,  
But *Kester* in *Cambrick Ruffe*,  
He took that in smuff:  
For he against that day  
Had made himself fine and gay;  
His Ruff was whipt over with blew,  
He cryed a new dance, a new;  
Then forward Piper and play,  
For the honour of *Arthur of Bradley*, Oh fine, &c.

Then 'gan the Sun decline,  
And every one thought it time  
To go unto his home,  
And leave the Bridegroom alone.

To't to't, quoth lusty Ned,  
 We'll see them both in bed :  
 For I will jeopard a joynt  
 But I will get his codpiece point :  
 Then strike up Piper and play,  
 For the honour of *Arthur of Bradly*, oh fine, &c,

And thus the day was spent,  
 And no man homeward went,  
 That there was such crouding and thrusting,  
 That some were in danger of bursting,  
 To see them go to bed :  
 For all the skill they had,  
 He was got to his Bride,  
 And laid him close by her side,  
 They got his Points and Garters,  
 And cut them in peeces like quarters ;  
 And then they bid the Piper play,  
 For the honour of *Arthur of Bradley*, oh fine, &c.

Then *Will.* and his sweet heart  
 Did call for *Loath to depart*,  
 And then they did foot it and tosse it,  
 Till the Cook had brought up the posset,  
 The Bride-pye was brought forth,  
 A thing of mickle worth,  
 And so all at the bed-side  
 Took leave of *Arthur* and his Bride,

And so they went all away

From the wedding of *Arthur of Bradley*, oh, &c.

*On the Printing of the Oxford Jest.*

I Tell thee *Kit*, where I have been,  
Where I the rarest Jest have zeen,

O Jests without compare,  
Such Jests again cannot be shewn,

In *Oxford* no nor *Cambridge* town;

They be so very rare.

<sup>2</sup>  
I yesterday did go to buy

A book, (thou know'st) for thee and I,

Of something that was pretty,

And when poor *Robins* Jests I saw,

Methoughts they were old, and lean, and raw,

Not like his Almanacks witty.

<sup>3</sup>  
I then did ask for the *Oxford* Jests,

Which *Kit* thou knowest came from the Brests,

Of our University;

The man to me did then confess,

They were not yet come out o'th press,

Quoth I the more's the pitty.

At last he shew'd the very copy,  
Of that i'th press, I'm a very puppy

*Kit*, if e'er the like was seen ;

Before I half a score had read,  
With laughing (if it may be zed)

I'd like to have broke my spleen.

I then did point to read 'um o'er,  
Zuch Jests I never heard before,

Fore *George* tis true our *Kit* ;

And e'er that I had read 'um half  
I found I was so great with laugh,  
I thought my zides would split.

Then hey for *Oxford* now I zay  
Evaith I long to see the day

That they shall printed be ;

Then thee and I will each buy one,

For our two sweet hearts *Nell* and *Jone*,

For Mirth and Mellodie.

### A Catch.

There was three Cooks in *Colebrook*,  
And they fell out with our Cook,  
And all was for a pudding he took,  
And from the Cook of *Colebrook*.

There

There was swash Cook, and flash Cook,  
And thy Nose in my Narse Cook,  
And all was for a pudding he took,  
And from the Cook of *Colebrook*.  
Then they fell all upon our Cook,  
And numbled him so, that he did look  
As black as the pudding which he took,  
And from the Cook of *Colebrook*.

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*The Blacksmith.*

**O**F all the Sciences beneath the Sun,  
Which have been since the world begun,  
The Smith by his art great praise hath won,  
Which no body can deny.

The fairest Goddess in the skies  
To marry with him did devise,  
That was a cunning Smith and wife,  
Which no body, &c.

Then *Mars* came down for *Venus* sake,  
The Smith he did his armour make,  
In love together he did them take,  
Which no body, &c.

The first that ever Musick made  
Was *Tubal* of the Blacksmiths Trade,

By



By hammering strokes as it was said,  
Which no body, &c.

He did invent continually  
The Iron work for the Country,  
A Smith for mirth and husbandry,  
Which no body, &c.

What Occupation can you name;  
But first the Smith must help the same,  
With working tools their work to frame?  
Which no body, &c.

What horse can post to carry news,  
But first the Smith sets on his shooes,  
With Spur and Stirrop for mens use?  
Which no body, &c.

What Ship upon the Sea can sail,  
If Iron work in her do fail,  
Though Anchor hold 'twill not prevail?  
Which no body, &c.

What can you build with lime or stone  
If Iron-work therein be none?  
Smiths make for houses many a one,  
Which no body, &c.

How can you go to Plough or Cart,  
Except the Smith do play his Part,  
With Coulter and Shaire made well by Art?  
Which no body, &c.

The Axletree Pin, the plowing Chain,  
The Bill, the Axe, the Wedges twain,  
The Pitchfork, and the Dung-fork plain,  
Which no body, &c.

The Butchers Axe, the Shooc-makers Awl,  
The cutting knives on every stall,  
That lies to cut and carve withall,  
Which no body, &c.

The Coopers Adds, the Brewers Slings,  
The Carpenters Tools for many things,  
The plyers for the Goldsmiths Rings,  
Which no body, &c.

Your Tongs, your Spits, Trevits, and Racks,  
And many other things that lacks,  
And for your houses pretty Knacks,  
Which no body, &c.

Weights and Skales to buy and sell,  
A thousand things I need not tell,  
The Smith hath match'd all things so well,  
Which no body, &c.

I could rehearse a thousand things,  
Of Iron Bars, Bolts, and Pins,  
Latches, Catches, Staples, Rings,  
Which no body, &c.

He makes all several kinds of Locks,  
 For horses, for doors, for Chest, for Box,  
 For houses, and for Churches Clocks,  
 Which no body, &c.

Your fire Irons, small and great,  
 Your pothooks, and forks so fine and neat,  
 Your Jack that turns your spits of meat,  
 Which no body, &c.

Your Paviours Pickax, great and small,  
 Your Pattens for women, low and tall;  
 Your Shovel and Spade to work withall,  
 Which no body, &c.

Your branding Iron to brand your Kine,  
 Your Clappers for Bells to ring and chime,  
 Your stamps for Gold and Silver fine,  
 Which no body, &c.

The horses Bits, that finely gingle,  
 The Barbers Tools, that is so nimble,  
 The Taylors sheer, his Bodkin and thimble,  
 Which no body, &c.

And for all weapons for the fight  
 The Smith I am sure makes such a sight,  
 So long, so strong, so fair, so bright,  
 Which no body, &c.

Bills, Pikes, Dags, and Guns,  
Halberds, Spears, and many things,  
Through the hammer of the Smith all come,  
Which no body, &c.

To love the Smith all Trades are bound,  
Which make him thus to be renown'd,  
For which his hammers they are crown'd,  
Which no body, &c.

Of Smiths now living at this hour,  
There was a Smith within the Tower  
Which might be counted for a flower,  
Which no body, &c.

Thus of my Song I make an end,  
The Smith is every bodies friend,  
He seeks his Country to defend,  
Which nobody can deny.

### A North Country Song.

When Iſe came firſt to London Town,  
Iſe wor a Novice, as other men are;  
Iſe thought the King had liv'd at the Crown,  
And the way to heaven had been through the  
(ſtar.  
Iſe

Ife set up my horse, and Ife went to *Pauls*,  
 Good Lord, quoth I, what a Kirk been here?  
 Then Ife did swear by all Kerson sons,  
 It wor a mile long, or very near,

It wor as high as any Hill,  
 A Hill, quo I, nay as a Mountain,  
 Then went Ife up with a very good will,  
 But glad wor I to come down again.

For as Ife went up my head roe round.  
 Then be it known to all Kerson people,  
 A man is no little way fro the ground,  
 When he's o'th' top of all *Pauls* steeple.

Ife lay down my hot, and Ife went to pray,  
 But wor not this a pitious case,  
 Afore I had done it wor stolen away, place?  
 Who'd have thought theeves had been in that

Now for my Hot Ife made great moan,  
 A stander by unto me said,  
 Thou didst not observe the Scripture aright,  
 For thou mun a watcht, as well as pray'd.

From thence Ife went, and I saw my Lord Mayor,  
 Good lack what a sight was there to see,  
 My Lord and his horse were both of a hair;  
 I could not tell which the Mare should be.

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From thence to *Westminster* I went,  
Where many a brave Lawyer I did see,  
Some of them had a bad intent,  
For there my purse was stoln from me.

To see the Tombs was my desire,  
I went with many brave fellows store  
I gave them a penny that was there hire,  
And he's but a fool that will give any more.

Then through the rooms the fellow me led,  
Where all the fights were to be seen,  
And snuffling told me through the nose,  
What formerly the name of those had been.

Here lies quoth he, *Henry* the Third,  
Thou li'st like a knave, he saies never a word;  
And here lies *Richard* the Second interr'd,  
And here stands good King *Edwards* Sword.

Under this Chair lyes *Jacobs* stone,  
The very same stone lies under the Chair,  
A very good jest, had *Jacob* but one,  
How got he so many Sons without a pair?

I staid not there, but down with the tide  
I made great haste, and I went my way;  
For I was to see the Lions beside,  
And the Paris-garden all in a day.

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When Iſe came there, I was in a rage,  
 I rayl'd on him that kept the Bears,  
 Inſtead of a Stake was ſuffered a Stage,  
 And in Hunkes his houſe a crue of Players.

Then through the Brigg to the Tower Iſe went,  
 With much ado Iſe entred in,  
 And after a penny that I had ſpent,  
 One with a loud voice did thus begin.

This Lyon's the Kings, and that is the Queens,  
 And this the Princes that ſtands here by,  
 With that I went neer to look in the Den  
 Cods body, quoth he, why come you ſo nigh?

Iſe made great haſte unto my Inne,  
 I ſupt, and I went to bed betimes,  
 Iſe ſlept, and I dream'd what I had ſeen,  
 And wak'd again by Cheapſide Chimes.

*The merry Goodfellow.*

**W**Hy ſhould we not laugh and be jolly,  
 Since all the World is mad & giddy,  
 And lull'd in a dull melancholly;  
 He that wallows in ſtore  
 Is ſtill gaping for more,  
 And that makes him as poor,  
 As the wretch that ne'er any thing had.

How



How mad is that damn'd money-monger?  
That to purchase to him and his heirs  
Grows shriviled with thirst and hunger;

While we that are bonny,  
Buy Sack with ready-money,  
And ne'er trouble the Scriveners, nor Lawyers.

Those guts that by scraping and toying,  
Do swell their Revenues so fast,  
Get nothing by all their turmoiling,

But are marks of each tax,  
While they load their own backs  
With the heavier packs,  
And lye down gall'd and weary at last.

While we that do traffick in tipples,  
Can baffle the Gown and the Sword,  
Whose jaws are so hungry and gripple,

We ne'er trouble our heads  
With Indentures or Deeds,  
And our wills are compos'd in a word.

Our money shall never indite us,  
Nor drag us to Goldsmiths Hall,  
No Pyrats nor wracks can affright us;

We, that have no Estates,  
Fear no plunder nor rates,  
We can sleep with open gates,  
He that lies on the ground cannot fall.

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We laugh at those fools whose endeavours  
 Do but fit them for Prisons and Fines,  
 When we that spend all are the saviors;  
 For if the thieves do break in,  
 They go out empty agin,  
 Nay, the Plunderers lose their designs.

Then let us not think on to morrow,  
 But tippie and laugh while we may,  
 To wash from our hearts all Torrow;  
 Those Cormorants which  
 Are troubled with an itch,  
 To be mighty and rich,  
 Do but toyl for the wealth they do borrow.

The Mayor in our Town with his Ruff on,  
 What a pox is he better than me?  
 He must vail to the man with his Buff on;  
 Though he Custard may eat,  
 And such lubbardly meat,  
 Yet our Sack makes us merrier than he.

*The Rebels Reign.*

**N**OW we are met in a knot, let's take t'other  
 And chirp o'r a Cup of Nectar;  
 Let's think on a charm to keep us from harm,  
 From the Fiend, and the new Protector.

Hertofore

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Hertofore at a brunt a Crofs would have done't,  
But now they have taken courfes, (left  
With their Laws and their theft, there's not a crofs  
In the Church, nor the Farmers purfes.

They're with you to bring for a stuffing at a King,  
For now you muft make no dainty,  
To have your nofe ground on a ftone turned round  
By *Nol*, and one and twenty.

But our Rights are kept for us in *Oliver's* ftore-houfe  
'Twere as good they were fet in the ftocks :  
They are juft in the pickle in the thirtieth Article,  
Like *Jack* in a Juglers box.

We are loth to look for the Saints in a book,  
But would not a man be vex't,  
To fee them fo rough with the blades and their buff,  
But not a word on't in the Text.

We have been twelve years together by the ears  
To prepare for a fpiritual raig'n :  
Men were never fo fpic'd with the Scepter of Chrift  
In the hands of a Saint in grain.

'Twas brew'd in their Hives by Citizens wives,  
Who ventured their husbands far,  
With *Robin* the fool there was ne'r fuch a tool  
To lead in the womens war.

He

He was ill at Command, but worse at a stand,  
 So they fought out another more able ;  
 Then *Fair*. undertakes, but *Nol* keeps the stakes,  
 And sends away *Fox* with a bauble.

(on'd,  
*Wil*, Conqueror the second, without his host reck-  
 And so did *Brown* billet his Mate :  
 They made a great noise mongst women and boys,  
 But now they are both out of date.

Cowardly *W* ————— had but a foule Fortune,  
 And wanted a knife to scrape it,  
 When his *Oriphice* ran there was no mortal man,  
 But *omnibus horis sapit*.

*Bradshaw*, the Knave, sent the King to his grave,  
 And on the bloud Royal did trample,  
 For which the next *Lent* he was made President,  
 And ere long may be made an example.

*Dorislaws* did steer to *Hans mine beer*,  
 And *Askew* to *Don at Madril*, (patcht,  
 Ere a man could have scratcht they were both dis-  
 Yet there they lye *Leger* still.

*Martin* and *St. Jabus*, and more with a vengeance,  
 Had each a finger i'th' pyc :  
 Some for the money, and some for the Conny,  
 And some for they knew not why.

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The Parliament sate as snug as a Cat,  
And were playing for mine and yours:  
Sweep-stakes was their Game till *Oliver* came,  
And turn'd it to knave out of doors.

Then a new one was cast, and made up in haste,  
But alas they could do no more  
Than empty our purse, and empty us worse  
Than e'r we were married before.

But in a good hour they gave up their power  
To one that was wiser than they;  
By common consent it was the first Parliament  
That ever was *fela de se*.

After all this Jeer we are never the near,  
There sits one at the helm commanding;  
One that doth us nick with a trick for our trick,  
And the stone in our foot notwithstanding.

He'l not relax one great of the Tax  
Though it come to more than he need,  
He may keep it in store till his need be more,  
'Tis an Article of our new Creed.

So well he hath wrought, that now he hath brought  
The Realm to the manner he meant it;  
The Fishes, and the fowl, and the diuel and all  
And the monthly pay his high rent.

All

All this we must bear, but 'twould make a man swear  
 When they call us a reformed Nation:  
 It can never sink into my head for to think  
 That this is a Reformation.

'Tis the man in the Moon, or the divel as soon,  
 Our Laws are asleep upon shelves: (um,  
 Our Charter and Freedom we may bid God speed  
 'Tis well we can beg for our selves.

Since *Nol* hath bereft us, and nothing hath left us,  
 Not a horse or an Oxe to plough land;  
 Let *Oliver* pass, come fill up my glass,  
 And here's a good health to *Rowl*land.

### *A Catch.*

**H**Ave you observ'd the wench in the street,  
 She's scarce any hose or shoots to her feet;  
 And when she cries, she sings,  
 I have hot Codlings, hot Codlings.

Or have you ever seen or heard  
 The mortal with his Lyon tauny beard?  
 He lives as merrily as heart can wish,  
 And still he cries, Buy a brush, buy a brush.

*Since*

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Since these are merry, why should we take care?

Musicians, like Cameliens, must live by the Aire ;  
And let's be blithe and bonny, & no good meeting  
balk, (Chalk.  
What though we have no money, we shall find

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### A new Medley.

*The English,* **L** Et the Trumpet sound,  
And the Rocks rebound,

Our English Native's coming ;

Let the Nations swarm,

And the Princes storm,

We value not their drumming.

'Tis not *France*, that looks so smug,

Old fashions still renewing,

It is not the *Spanish* shrug,

*Scottish* Cap, or *Irish* rug ;

Nor the *Dutch-mans* double jug

Can help what is ensuing ;

Pray, my Masters, look about ,

For something is a Brewing.

He that is a Favorite consulting with Fortune,

If he grow not wiser, then he's quite undone ;

In a rising creature we daily see certainly,

He is a retreater that fails to go on :

He



He that in a builder's trade  
 Stops e're the roof be made,  
 By the Air may be betray'd  
 And overthrown :  
 He that hath a race begun,  
 And lets the Goal be won ;  
 He had better never run.  
 But let't alone.

Then plot rightly,  
 March lightly,  
 Shew your glittering Arms brightly :  
 Charge highly,  
 Fight sprightly ;  
 Fortune gives renown.  
 A right riser  
 Will prize her,  
 She makes all the world wiser ;  
 Still try her,  
 We'll gain by her  
 A Coffin or a Crown.

If the *Dutchman* or the *Spaniard*  
 Come but to oppose us,  
 We will thrust them up at the main-yard  
 If they do but nose us :  
*Hans, Hans*, think upon thy sins,  
 And then submit to *Spain* thy Master ;  
 For though now you look like friends,

Yet

Yet he will never trust you after ;  
Drink, drink, give the *Dutchman* drink,  
And let the tap and kan run faster ;  
For faith at the last I think  
A Brewer will become your Master.

Let not poor Teg and Shone  
Vender from der houses,  
Left dey be quite undone  
In der very Trouses :  
And all der Orphans bestow'd under hatches,  
And made in *London* free der to cry matches ;  
St. *Patrick* wid his Harp do tun'd wid tru string  
Is not fit to unty St. *Hewson's* shoos-strings.

Methinks I hear  
The welch draw near,  
And from each lock a louse trop ;  
*Ap Sbon, ap LLoyd,*  
Will spend her plood,  
For to defend her mouse-traps :  
Mounted on her *Kifflebagh*  
With cott store of *Koradagh*,  
The Prittish war begins.  
With a hook her was overcome her,  
Pluck her to her, thrust her from her,  
By cot her was break her shins.

Let Taffie fret,  
And welch-hook whet,

And

And troop up petigrees,  
 We only tout  
 Tey will stink us out,  
 Wit Leeks and toasted Sheeze.

But *Jockie* now and *Jinny* comes,  
 Our Brethren must approve on't;  
 For pret a Cot dey bert der drums  
 Only to break de Couvenant.  
 Dey bore Saint *Andrew's* Cross,  
 Til our army quite did rout dem,  
 But when we put dem to de loss,  
 De deal a Cross about dem:  
 The King and Couvenant they crave,  
 Their cause must needs be further'd  
 Although so many Kings they have  
 Most barbarously, basely murthered.

*The French.* The Frenchman he will give consent,  
 Though he tickle in our veins;  
 That willingly  
 We may agree,  
 To a marriage with grapes and grains:  
 He conquers us with kindness;  
 And doth so far entrench,  
 That fair, and wise, and young, and rich,  
 Are finised by the *French*:  
 He prettifies us with Feathers and Fans,  
 With Petticoats, Doublets, and Hose,

And

And faith they shall  
Be welcome all  
If they forbear the nose.  
For love or for fear,  
Let Nations forbear;  
If Fortune exhibit a Crown,  
A Coward he  
Must surely be,  
That will not put it on.

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**A Catch.**

**S**He'w a Room, shew a Room, shewa Room,  
Here's a knot of Good fellows are come,  
That mean for to be merry  
With Clarret and with Sherry;  
Each man to mirth himself disposes,  
And for the Reckoning tell Noses;  
Give the Red-Nose some White,  
And the Pale-Nose some Clarret,  
But the Nose that looks Blem,  
Give him a Cup of Sack, 'twill mend his hew.

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**The Contented.**

**VV**Hy should a man care, or be in despair,  
Should Fortune prove never so unkind,

Or why should I be sad for that I never had,  
Or foolishly trouble my mind?

For I do much hate to pine at my Fate,

There's none but a fool will do so :

I'll laugh and be fat, for care kills a Cat,

And I care not howe're the world go.

Though I am poor, and others have store,

Why should I repine at their bliss?

For I am content with what God hath sent,

And I think I do not amiss :

Let others have wealth, for I have health,

And money to pay what I owe,

I'll laugh, and be merry, and sing hey down, down

For I care not, &c.

(deery,

Some men do suppose, even by their gay Cloaths,

For to be in great request,

Though mine be but bare, I am not o'th' show,

And I think my self honestly drest ;

Though every man cannot say so,

I like that I wear, though it cost not so dear,

For I care not, &c.

Your Epicure eats of the best sort of meat

And wine of the best he doth drink,

And laies him to rest, and thinks himself blest,

On heaven he never doth think ;

Though

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Though my fare be but course, I am not the worse,  
My health is the better I know ;  
Though plain be my food, my stomach is good,  
And I care not, &c.

Your flattering Curs, that fawn upon Furs,  
And hang at Noble mens ears,  
If once they do fall, away they run all,  
And this is their flattering fears:  
Dissembling I scorn, for I am free-born,  
My happiness lies not below ;  
Though my words want Art, I speak from my heart,  
I care not, &c.

Some men do strive, and mightily thrive,  
And some for Offices wait,  
Much money they spend, and to little end,  
And repent then when it's too late ;  
Low shrubs are secure, when Cedars endure  
Great storms and tempests below,  
Let others look high, for so will not I,  
And I care not howe're the world go.

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## *How to live happy.*

**H**E that a happy life would lead  
In these times of distraction,  
Let him listen to me, and I will read  
A Lecture without faction ;

Let him want three things, whence misery springs,  
They all begin with a letter,  
Let him bound his desires to what nature requires,  
And with reason his humour fether.

Let not his wealth prodigious grow,  
For that breeds cares and dangers;  
Makes him envied above and hated below,  
A constant slave to strangers;  
They are happiest of all whose estates are but small,  
Though but enough to maintain them,  
They may do, they may say, having nothing to pay,  
It will not quit cost to arraign them.

Nor would I have him clogg'd with a wife,  
For household cares incumber,  
Nor to one place to confine his life,  
Cause he can't remove his Lumber;  
They are happiest far who unmarried are,  
And forrage, and all in common,  
From all storms they can flye, or if they should die,  
They ruine no child nor woman.

Let not his brains o'rflow with wit,  
That capers o'r discretion,  
It's costly to keep, and hard to get,  
And dangerous in the possession;  
They are happiest men that can scarce tell ten,



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And beat not their brains about reason, (serve  
They may speak what will serve themselves to pre-  
And their words are not taken for treason.

But of all fools there's none to the wit,  
For he takes pains to shew it,  
His pride and his drink bring him into a fit,  
Then streight he turns a Poet :  
His jests he flings at States, or at Kings,  
Or at Plays, or at Bays, or at shadows,  
Thinks a Verse serves as well as a Circle or Cell,  
Till he rimes himself to the Barbadows.

He that within these Lines can live,  
May baffle all disasters,  
To Fortune and Fate commands he can give,  
Who Wordlings call their Masters ;  
He may sing, he may quaff, he may drink, he may  
May be mad, may be sad, may be jolly, (laugh,  
He may sleep without care and speak without fear,  
And laugh at the world and its' folly

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*A Catch.*

**W**Hat Fortune had I, poor Maid as I am,  
To be bound in eternal vow,  
For ever to lye by the side of a man,  
That would, but knows not how?

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Oh

Oh can there no pity  
Be in such a City,  
Where Lads enough are to be had.

Unfortunate Girl, that art wed to such woe,  
Go seek thee a lively Lad,  
And let the poor that hath nothing to shew  
Go seek for another as bad;  
Then call for no pity  
Thou dweltst in a City,  
Where Lads enough were to be had.

*Advice to Batchelors.*

**H**E that intends to take a Wife,  
I'll tell him what a kind of life  
He must be sure to lead;  
If she's a young and tender heart,  
Not documented in Loves Art,  
Much teaching she will need.

For where there is no path, one may  
Be tir'd before he find the way,  
Nay, when he's at his treasure,  
The gap perhaps will prove so straight,  
That he for entrance long may wait,  
And make a fool of's pleasure.

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Or if one old, and past her doing,  
He will the Chamber-maid be woining,  
To buy her ware the cheaper,  
But if he chuse one most formose,  
Ripe for't, she'll prove libidinous,  
Argus himself shan't keep her.

For when those things are neatly drest,  
They'l entertain each wanton guest,  
Nor for their honour care,  
If any give their pride a fall,  
Th' have learn'd a trick to bear withal,  
So you their charges bear.

Or if you chance to play your game  
With a dull, fat, gross, heavy Dame,  
Your riches to encrease,  
Alas! she will but jeer you for't,  
Bid you to find out better sport,  
Lie with a pot of grease.

If meager — be thy delight,  
She'l conquer in venereal fight,  
And waste thee to the bones.  
Such kind of girles, like to your Mill,  
The more you give, the more crave they will,  
Or else they'l grind the stones.

If black, 'tis odds she's dev'lish proud,  
 If short, Zantippe like, too loud,  
     If long, she'l lazy be,  
 Foolish (the Proverb saith) if fair,  
 If wise and comely, danger's there,  
     Lest she do cuckold thee.

If she bring store of money, such  
 Are like to domineer too much;  
     Prove Mist'ris, no good wife,  
 And when they cannot keep you under,  
 They'l fill the house with scolding thunder,  
     What worse than such a life;

But if her Dowry only be  
 Beauty, farewell felicity,  
     Thy fortunes cast away.  
 Thou must be sure to satishie her  
 In belly, and in back-desire,  
     To labour night and day.

And rather than her pride give o'r,  
 She'l turn perhaps an honoured whore,  
     And thou'lt Aëleon'd be,  
 Whilst like Aëleon thou maist weep,  
 To think thou forced art to keep,  
     Such as devour thee.

If being noble thou dost wed,  
A seryle Creature, basely bred,  
Thy Family it defaces ;  
If being mean, one nobly born,  
She'l swear t' exalt a Courtlike horn,  
Thy low descent it graces.

If one tongue be too much for any,  
Then he who takes a wife with many,  
Knows not what may betide him ;  
She whom he did for learning honour,  
To scold by book will take upon her,  
Rhetorically chide him.

If both her Parents living are,  
To please them you must take great care,  
Or spoyl your future fortune,  
But if departed th'are this life,  
You must be parent to your wife,  
And father all, be certain.

If bravely drest, fair fac'd and witty,  
She'l oft be gadding to the City,  
Nor may you say her nay,  
She'l tell you (if you her deny)  
Since women have Terms, she knows not why,  
But they still keep them may.

If you make choice of Country ware,  
Of being Cuckold, there's less fear,  
But stupid honesty  
May teach her how to sleep all night;  
And take a great deal more delight  
To milk the Cows than thee.

Concoction makes their blood agree  
Too near, where's consanguinity;  
Then let no kin be chosen:  
He loseth one part of his treasure,  
Who thus confineth all his pleasure  
To th' arms of his first Couzen.

He'll never have her at command,  
Who takes a wife at second hand;  
Then chuse no widdowed mother:  
The first cut, of that bit you love,  
If others had, why mayn't you prove  
But taster to another?

Besides, if she bring children many,  
'Tis like by thee she'll not have any,  
But prove a barren Doe;  
Or if by them, she ne'r had one,  
By thee 'tis likely she'll have none,  
Whilst thou for weak back go.

For there where other Gard'ners have been sowing  
Their seed, but ne'r could find it growing

You must expect so too ;

And where the *Terra incognita*

S'o'rplov'd, you must it fallow lay,

And still for weak back go.

Then trust not to a maiden face,

Nor confidence in widdows place,

Those weaker vessels may

Spring-leak, or split against a rock,

And when your Fame's wrapt in a smock,

'Tis easily cast away.

Yet be she fair, foul, short, or tall,

You for a time may love them all,

Call them your soul, your life,

And one by one them undermine,

As Courtizan, or Concubine,

But never as married wife.

He who considers this, may end the strife,

Confess no trouble like unto a Wife.



*A Catch.*

**I**F any so wise is, that Sack he despises,  
 Let him drink small beer, and be sober,  
 Whilst we drink Sack and sing, as if it were spring,  
 He shall droop like the Trees in October.  
 But be sure if over night this dog do you bite,  
 You take it henceforth for a warning,  
 Soon as out of your bed, to settle your head,  
 Take a hair of his tail in the morning:  
 And be not so silly to follow old Lilly,  
 For there's nothing but Sack that can tune us,  
 Let his *Ne-assues* as be put in his cap case,  
 And sing *bi-bi-to vinum Fejunus*.

*A Mock Song.*

**W**Hen I a Lady do intend to flatter  
 Oh, how I do begin to chatter;  
 I swear and vow  
 How much I'd do,  
 That I might once get at her —



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Then tell her by the rowling of her eyes,  
I guess her secret rarities,

Swear he who enjoys  
Those pleasant toyes,  
Ought much to esteem the prize.

Thus Ladies have I learn'd in *Cupid's* schools,  
My Master *Ovid's* Grammer Rules:

Thus can I prove  
I am in love,  
And thus I make ye fools.

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